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THE HICKS FAMILY

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AND

ELIZABETH DALE WILKINSON

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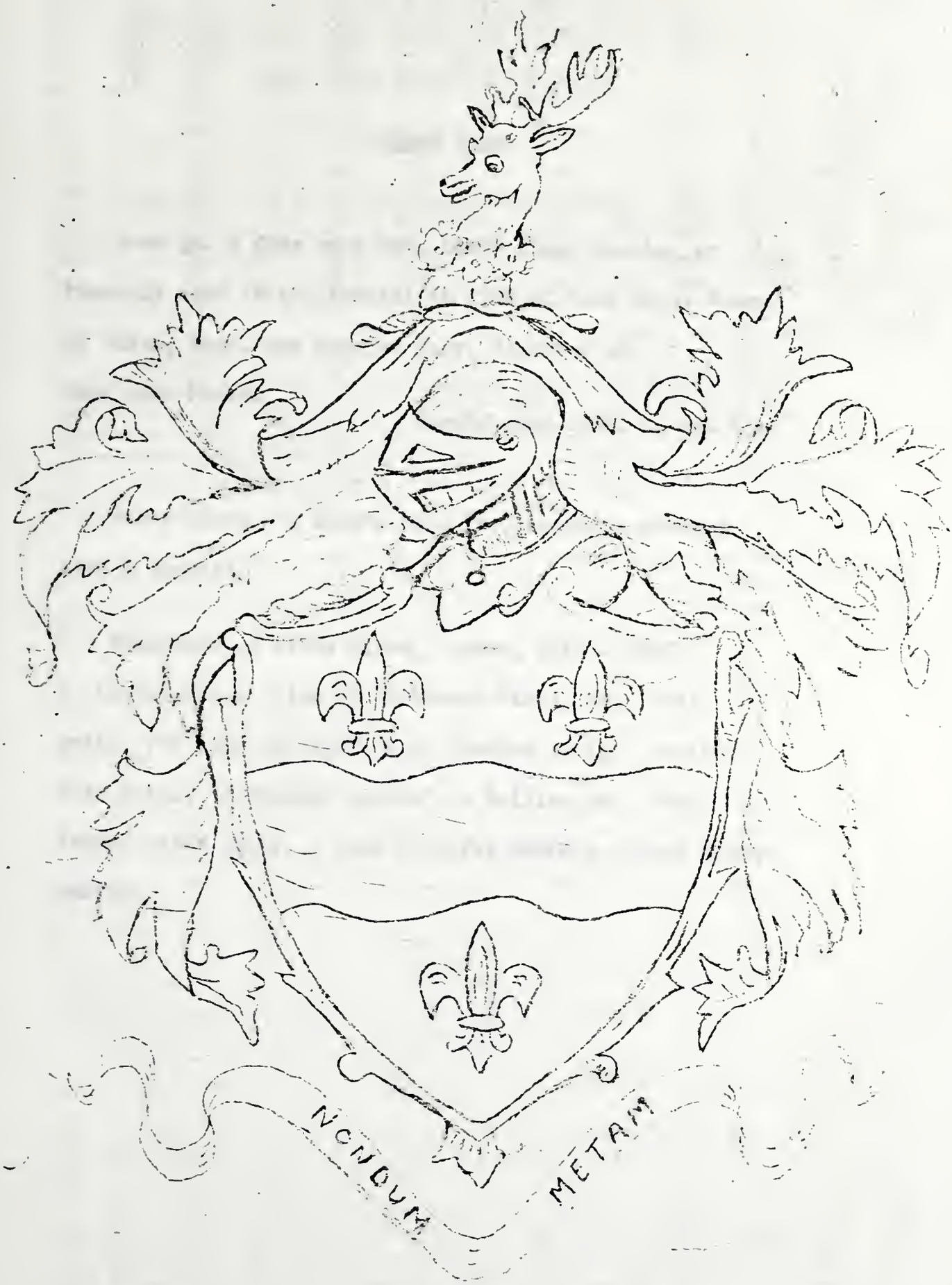

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HICKS ARMS

Arms gu. a fess wavy bet. three fleur-de-lis, or
Probably used at the funeral in 1708 of Hon. Benj. Brown of Salem, Mass. who married Mary, daughter of Rev. John Hicks.

Herald Jour. Vol. 4, pp. 44.

Hicks crest - a lion's head (or) couped - crowned with a chaplet.

Bookplate of Elias Hicks, Quaker, 1748 - 1830. P. Maverick sc. Also of Whitehead Hicks, Esq. with motto "Pro lege et Rege". - H. Dawkins sculp. Another with motto, "Judicemur agendo". - Rollins sc. Also framed water color. - Arts & Crafts Society - Park Street, Boston.

EARLY HISTORY OF HICKS FAMILY

AS TAKEN FROM BARTON GENEOLOGY, pp. 189-190.

John Hicks of Tortuath, County Gloucester, England, was a lineal descendant of Sir Ellis Hicks, who was made a Knight Baronette on the field of Poitiers in 1350 by Edward III, the Black Prince. John (1) Hicks died in 1492. Thomas (2) married Margaret Atwood and died in 1565. Baptist (3) born 1526 married Mary, daughter of James Everard Esq. James (4), born 1550, married Phoebe, daughter of Rev. Ephraim Allyn. Robert (5), born 1580, died March 2, 1617, married first Elizabeth, daughter of John Morgan, by whom he had sons,- Thomas and John. Robert married second, Margaret Winslow; her parentage is not known, but it is thought she was related to Edward and John Winslow. They had six children: Elizabeth, Ephraim, Samuel, Lydia, Daniel and Phoebe.

Robert Hicks, a merchant (leather dresser) of Burnesslesey Street, Southwark, London, England, came to Plymouth Colony in the ship, Fortune, 1621. His wife, Margaret (Winslow) Hicks with her six children came in Ann in 1623.

Elizabeth (2) married John Dickarson of Plymouth and died before July 10, 1651.

Ephraim (2) married September 13, 1649 Elizabeth, daughter of Pilgrim John Howland; he died in three months and she married, second, July 10, 1651, John Dickarson.

Samuel (2) married 1645 Lydia, daughter of Deacon John Doane of Plymouth. The History of Scituate says this Samuel was a deputy from Nauset (Eastham) 1647. He lived at Barnstable until 1670, then removed to Yarmouth and finally to Dartmouth, Mass.

Lydia married, after 1627, Edward Bangs of Plymouth.

Daniel of Scituate, according to Colonial Records and Davis married September 19, 1657 Elizabeth Hawmore, but Savage's Geneological Dictionary of New England says he married September, 1659, Rebecca Hawmur.

Phoebe married 1635 George Watson of Plymouth, born 1602 and he died January 31, 1689. She died May 22, 1663.

Thomas (2) son of Robert (1) and Elizabeth (Morgan) Hicks succeeded to his father's business as leather dresser in London, England.

His brother, John (2) entered college and studied law; later, he followed his father to New England and was known as being in Rhode Island in 1641, later going to Newton, L. I., and finally settled at Hempstead as early as 1664. He married, first Herodias Long; second, Rachel Starr of Scituate. He died 1672.

EARLY HISTORY OF HICKS FAMILY

Through John (2), Thomas (3), Jacob (4), John (5) and first wife, Martha Smith, we come to Elias (6) Hicks, the Quaker preacher, who was certainly known and read of all men in this section of the country. There is a book called "Life of Elias Hicks". Robert (1) Hicks, properly of the Pilgrim Party, left at his death, March 24, 1647, a document which embraces the peculiarities of religious belief as exemplified by the Hicksite Quakers.

Robert (1) Hicks had brothers, - John, Ephraim, Samuel, James and Thomas (1), who came to Plymouth in 1624 and married Margaret, daughter of Zachariah West; he was in Scituate, Mass. 1640, died there 1653.

Robert (1) also owned land in Scituate, but probably lived in Plymouth.

Thomas (1) and Margaret (West) Hicks had two sons: Zachariah (2) born 1628, died August 5, 1702, married October 28, 1652, Elizabeth, daughter of John Gills, Cambridge, Mass. She was born 1636, died April 28, 1654. Daniel (2) died 1694, in Swansey, Mass., married September, 1659, Rebecca Hammur. *There seems to be a difference of opinion as to Elizabeth Hammore or Rebecca Hammur. Are they two different people and did one marry Daniel, son of Robert (1) and the other, Daniel, son of Thomas (1) Hicks? **This seems to be one of the puzzles of history. J.T.C.B.

Robert (1) Hicks had sons: Stephen (2), Ephraim (2), Samuel, Robert, Thomas, John. Stephen (2) is said to have married Margaret Winslow (as was also said of his father) and had a son, Samuel. Ephraim (2) died without issue. Samuel married Lydia, daughter of Deacon John Doane. Robert (2) - *I have nothing on him. John (2) - * You agree with my notes. Samuel (2) and Lydia had Samuel (3), born 1651. Thomas (3) married Mary Albro, daughter of John of Portsmouth, R. I. also three daughters. Thomas (3) and Mary had Samuel (4) married Susan Anthony in 1702, Portsmouth, R. I., Thomas (4), Ephraim (4) three daughters. Samuel (4) and Susan had Samuel (5) born 1704, married, first Mary Mumford, second, Susanna, and had children.

F. A. B.

From Barton Geneology pp. 189 - 190.

REHOBOTH

Old Swamp Church (at Rehoboth) - one of elders had Deacon Hix on list of Deacons previous to 1805.

ANNALS AND RECORDS, HISTORY OF REHOBOTH, Newberry Library, Chicago --
p. 93 gives William Carpenter, 1735, as founding town of Rehoboth, Mass. Also in list below gives: Richard Martin, John Martin, Joseph Carpenter, proprietor, not inhabitant, lived at Swansea, Benjamin Carpenter, also prop., Leprilete (a name at Attleborough)

p. 291. - "The Stevens Corner Cemetery"
This yard is in North Rehoboth on the road leading to Rehoboth Village (Annewan St.) and is in the care of the Stevens Corner Association, Mrs. Albert R. Lewis, Secretary. Only one lot is under perpetual care. There is great need of funds for putting and keeping in order this interesting old yard. Mr. Charles F. Wilmarth is caretaker. More than 700 bodies are buried here, with very few expensive stones. Some of the more distinguished names are:

Amos Round, Rev. Sol.
John Round, Rev. Sol.
Nathan Hicks, Patriot of the Revolution, died 1845, aged 84 years.
Etc. - Many interesting epitaphs here, many unmarked graves.

A little farther down the road is a small family graveyard in which a tomb was built in 1846 by Theas Round.

The Hix Cemetery
Elder John Hix.
Also son, Elder Jacob Hix. It is a part of old Hix Homestead. Located back from the road leading westward from Old Swamp Schoolhouse, now Brook St.

Rehoboth Antiquarian Society held 250th Anniversary of Town in 1894.

Original Contributors to Memorial Hall, 1886 included Nathan E. Hicks.

HIX or HICKS, THOMAS

HISTORY OF SCITUATE by Samuel Dean
Also, GENEOLOGICAL DICTIONARY OF FIRST SETTLERS
OF NEW ENGLAND.

Thomas Hix or Hicks, of Scituate had w.
Margaret and ch. — Zachariah
Daniel
Samuel
as in will of 10, Jan. 1652.

Daniel Hicks, Scituate, s. of Thos. of same, married in 1657, Eliz. Haumore (says Colonial Rec. 19) and another rec. says m. Sept. 19, 1659, Rebecca, dau. of John Haumer (Dean's) of Scituate. The latter seems to be correct.
See Geneological Dictionary of First Settlers of New England.

Thomas Hicks from Plymouth was in Scituate in 1640. He was probably bro. of Robert and came in ship Ann in 1623. His house lot was northeast of Hickes's Swamp, a well known place a mile south of the Harbour. Daniel Hicks, son, succeeded him and married Rebecca, d. of John Hamer, 1659. In 1652, Thomas Hicks died and his aged widow, being unable to attend court, Mr. Hatherly was authorized to take evidence of his will, his inventory, etc. This family came from Bermondsey St., Southwark, London.

From Dean's HISTORY OF SCITUATE

Thos. Hick's will signed by his mark Jan. 10, 1652 (a deathbed will evidently). His wife, Margaret, Executrix - to sons, Zachariah, Daniel and Samuel. Inventory by William Woodward and Wm. Brooks. Amt. S 18 2 s. His widow, Margaret, took oath to it Oct. 3, 1653.

Also from Dean's.

PLYMOUTH COLONY RECORDS, Vol. I - p. 35.

The Deposition of Clement Briggs of Weymouth, fellmonger, taken at New Plymouth, the XXIX day of August in 1638.

"This Deponent deposeth and sayeth that about two and twenty years since this depon^{t} then dwelling wth one Mr. Samuel Lathame in Barmundsey Streete in Southwarke, a felmonger and one Thomas Harlow, then also dwelling wth Mr. Robte. Heeks in the same street a felmonger, the said Harlow and this depon^{t} has often conference together how many pelts eich of their masters pulled a week etc. etc.

(A very definite clue for an English search.)
Note: Look in Bristol Co. records for further search on lines not run out.
Taunton.

Zechariah Hicks, Cambridge, perhaps son of Thomas, b. in England, m. Oct. 1652 Elizabeth, dau. John Sills, Scill or Skill. They had Elizabeth b. April 28, 1654. Zechariah 27 Sept. 1657. John 1660 - d. June , fall. Joseph Jan. 12, 1662. Thomas 1664. Hannah 1666 and John again friem. 1663 and d. 5 Aug. 1702, aged 74 and his widow, Elizabeth, d. 1730 aged 94.

Authority: GENEALOGICAL DICTIONARY OF FIRST SETTLERS OF NEW ENGLAND.

LINEAGE OF NATHAN HICKS

Thomas Hicks, Plymouth in 1624, Scituate in 1640
b. ..... d. 1653
m. .....
Margaret West, daughter of Zachariah West
b. ..... d. .....
  Daniel Hicks, of Swansea
  b. ... d. 1694
  m. Sept. 19, 1659
  Rebecca Hanmur, or Elizabeth Hanmore in 1657 (?)
  b. ... d. ....
    Ephraim, of Rehoboth
    b. April 30, 1665 d. ...
    m. ...
    Hannah Wells
    b. ... d. ...
      James Hicks, of Rehoboth
      b. 1690 d. Feb. 1729
      m. Oct. 22, 1713
      Mary Wells
      b. ... d. ...
        Hezekiah Hicks, of Rehoboth
        b. 1715 d. Feb. 5, 1788 at 73
        m. April 15, 1738
        Desire Carpenter
        b. June 3, 1716 d. May 28, 1880
          Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth
          b. April 20, 1762 d. October 10, 1845
          at 83 y. 5 m. 20 d.*
          ("a pensioner") - Rev. Rec.

Note: The Carpenter line is carried back to John Billington who came over in Mayflower in 1620, which is another line and not included in these notes.

M. W. B.

SERVICE RECORD OF NATHAN HICKS

Service of Nathan Hicks, Rehoboth, Mass.

Descriptive list of Nathan Hicks, Sargeant:
Descriptive list of men mustered by James Leonard, Muster Master, to serve in the Continental Army for 9 mos. from the time of arrival at Fishkill, dated Taunton, June 1, 1778; Capt. Cole's 7th (also 8th) Rehoboth company, Col. Thomas Carpenter's (1st Bristol Co.) regt:- age, 16 years; stature: 5 ft. 6 in.; complexion, light; hair, brown; eyes, blue; residence, Rehoboth;
Also in list of men returned as received of Johnathan Warner, Commissioner, by Col. Rufus Putnam, July 20, 1778; arrived at Fishkill, June 17, 1778.

Nathan Hicks served in capacity of corporal of Capt. Jos. Cole's company - Col. Jacob's Regt.

Nathan Hicks is buried in cemetery at Rehoboth, Mass. where his grave is marked by a marble shaft bearing inscription: NATHAN HICKS - PATRIOT and dates of birth and death.
He was pensioned.

Above copied from paper by Geneologist, Virginia Hall. Also copied at New England Historical Society, Boston, Mass.

HICKS

Nathan Hicks, Rehoboth,
b. Apr. 20, 1762, d. Oct. 10, 1845 at 83 yr. 5 mo. 20 d.
m. Feb. 24, 1782
Prudence Round,
b. 1764, d. Feb. 26, 1845.

Children:
Cyrus Hicks, born December 15th, 1782
Nathan Hicks, born October 26, 1784
Prudence Hicks, born June 22, 1786
Pearley Hicks, born August 12, 1788
Jotham Hicks, born July 27, 1789
Abner Hicks, born April 20, 1791
Cynthia Hicks, born April 8, 1793
George Hicks, born April 10, 1795
Mason Hicks, born April 11, 1797
Elias Hicks, born June 2, 1799
Daniel Hicks, born June 10, 1801
William Royal Hicks, born January 26, 1804
Lewis Le Prelete Hicks, born February 10, 1807

The above copied verbatim from old record on blue paper of my Mother's, Harriet Irena Hicks Dale.
Elizabeth Dale Wilkinson.

Proof of these children in Rehoboth Records, Book 65, p. 220.

Also in Copy of Will of Nathan Hicks, Sept. 26, 1839.

NATHAN HICKS WILL

Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth — Will dated Sept. 26, 1839.

Presented for probate April 6, 1847.

Testamentary disposition of estate as follows:

To his wife, Prudence Hicks: woodlot of 7½ acres in Rehoboth, also life use of household articles.

To sons, Nathan, Jotham or his heirs, Abner, George and Mason, I have heretofore given what I intend to give them.

To daughters, Prudence Allen, wife of Charles Y. Allen and Cynthia Peck, wife of Cyril C. Peck, the household furniture in part.

To son, Elias $30.

To son, Daniel $25.

To son, William B. $80. Also my best great coat and hat.

To son, Lewis L. Hicks, his heirs and assigns, all the residue and remainder of my real estate and also sundry articles of household furniture.

Lewis L. Hicks appointed executor.

NATHAN HICKS WILL

Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth, Will dated May 7, 1816.

Presented for Probate Aug. 9, 1816.

Bequests in Will as follows:

To his son, Jacob $1.

To heirs of son, Abial $1.

To heirs of daughter, Zilpat, 3 shares $1.

To daughter, Sarah Miller, wife of Henry Miller $1.

To daughter, Mercy Campbell, wife of Silvanus $1.

To daughter, Hannah Bullock, wife of Richard Bullock $1.

To daughter, Elizabeth Pearce, daughter of Squire $5 in furniture.

To daughter, Lydia Hicks, certain articles of household furniture.

To daughter, Nancy Simmon $20 worth of household furniture.

To daughter, Rachel Mix, certain articles of household furniture.

To son, Nathan Mix $1.

To son, Daniel Mix $1.

To son, Nathan Mix and son, Daniel Mix and dau. Nancy Simmons, all the remainder of his estate on condition that they support my dau., Rachel Mix comfortably through life.

Appoints son Nathan, executor of his will.

Inventory of Estate:

Home farm of deceased in Rehoboth about 40 acres and buildings	$800.00
Cutlots in Rehoboth about 10 acres.....	$200.00
Salt-Marsh in Swanzey about 2 acres....	$200.00
3/4 of gristmill in Rehoboth	$300.00
Total Real Estate	$1500.00
Total Personal Estate	336.57
Total	$1836.57

LEWIS L. HICKS' WILL

Lewis L. Hicks of Rehoboth died Oct. 27, 1862

Will probated and Hezekiah H. Hicks of Rehoboth appointed Executor Dec. 5, 1862. Next of kin, his widow, Harriet Hicks and a son, Cyrus L. Hicks.

His will gives all his real and personal estate to his wife, Harriet, subject to support by her of his son, Cyrus L. Hicks.

Inventory:

Homestead farm known as "Peck's Place"	$850.00
47 acres land west side road with house thereon	$700.00
The house with 1 acre of land previously mortg. to B.	$300.00
5½ acres land lying north of James Smith's pasture land	$ 35.00
5 acres land near Stephen Pierce's place	$ 50.00
4½ acres woodland on Great Meadow Hill (Jones lot)	$ 45.00
	$1975.00

HARRIET HICKS' WILL

Harriet Hicks of Rehoboth, died Dec. 21, 1872.

Will presented for probate and Cyrus M. Wheaton appointed Executor, Jan. 3, 1873.

Next of kin, Esther Stearns, sister of deceased and Mary Hawes, niece of deceased.

Inventory:

Homestead farm & buildings 33 acres	$1100.00
Woodlot at Great Meadow Hill 4½ acres	100.00
Woodlot north side Sprague road 5½ acres	112.00
	$1312.00

Disposition of estate by will as follows:

To Elizabeth M. Bowen, whom I brought up from childhood, $500.00

To her sister, Esther Stearns, household furniture, &c.

To Methodist Episcopal Church in Rehoboth and the Union Baptist Church in Rehoboth, where Rev. J. H. Mace is pastor, all the residue of my estate, both real and personal to be equally divided between them on condition said churches pay $50.00 yearly to my sister, Esther Stearns during life. Churches given power under will to sell real estate at public auction and invest proceeds, the income to be applied towards support of said ministry of said churches. Directs executor to erect Iron Fence around graves of her father, Nathan Hicks and her husband, Lewis L. Hicks and two children, similar to fence of Cyril C. Peck.

LIST OF CONVEYANCES TO NATHAN HICKS
RECORDED PRIOR TO THE YEAR 1850

Hezekiah Hicks of Rehoboth to Nathan Hicks, his son, a "miner".
Book 65 p. 220 Date Dec. 16, 1780
Lands with buildings in Rehoboth. Reservation of right of way of "my sons, Jotham and Abel" &c.
No name of wife given.

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Barnard Buellock to Nathan Hix of Rehoboth.
Bk. 78 p. 437 Date Nov. 28, 1795.
Land in northeasterly part of Rehoboth.

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Aaron Bullock of Rehoboth, Yeoman to "Nathan Hicks ye Second of ye said Rehoboth Yeoman.
Bk. 78 p. 437 Date Feb. 15, 1792
Rehoboth Land.

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Uriel Bowen to Same.
Bk. 82 p. 55 Date Sept. 31, 1802
7 acres in Rehoboth.

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Thos. Bullock et al. to Same
Bk. 95 p. 132 Date Mch. 14, 1807
13 A. & 112 rds. in Rehoboth, reserving a right of way to "Lucinda Hicks".

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Ctis Peck et al. to Nathan Hicks and Abner Hicks of Rehoboth, Yeoman.
Bk. 98 p. 95 Date April 23, 1814
14 3/4 acres with buildings, being land set off to Grace Peck, widow of Ctis Peck, dec'd.

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Lane Round to Nathan Hicks 2nd of Rehoboth
Bk. 100 p. 488 Date April 15, 1801
1 A. 30 rds. Cedar Swamp, Attleboro.

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Calvin Peirce to Same.
Bk. 100 p. 489 5 A. In Rehoboth Date Dec. 18, 1809

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Amos Bowen to Nathan Hicks, 2nd, Daniel Hicks & Calvin Mouttan, all of Rehoboth.
Bk. 107 p. 231 Date Dec. 11, 1819.
2 3/4 Acres & 6 rods in Rehoboth.

LIST OF CONVEYANCES TO NATHAN HICKS
RECORDED PRIOR TO THE YEAR 1850

Chas. J. Allen to Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth
Bk. 107 p. 246 Date Aug. 7, 1820
All interest in real estate "set off as dower of her grandmother, Rebecca Allen."

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Samuel Peck to Same.
Bk. 109 p. 235 Date April 5, 1819
11 Acres in Rehoboth.

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Aaron Smith to Same.
Bk. 109 p. 235 Date Nov. 24, 1818
13 A. & 146 rds. in North part of Rehoboth.

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Constant Cole to Nathan Hicks & Jeremiah Wheeler 2nd, both of Rehoboth.
Bk. 125 p. 220 Date Dec. 15, 1828
36 A. in Rehoboth.

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Darius Cole et al to Nathan Hicks, "Gentleman" & Valentine Horton, Yeoman, grantees both of Rehoboth.
Bk. 126 p. 401. Date April 27, 1829
22 A. & 40 rds. in Rehoboth on Long Hill.

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Constant Cole to Nathan Hicks"Gentleman"
Bk. 126 p. 404 Date June 1, 1829.
5½ Acres of Woodland in Rehoboth.

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— Page 3 of Deeds of Rehoboth —

Bk. 100 p. 34 Date Dec. 20, 1814
Land in "Monwhague." Swamp.
Partition of ... between Nathan Hicks, Jr. of Rehoboth and others.

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Israel Pearce 2nd to Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth.
Bk. 126 p. 405 Date Jan. 24, 1829
Quitclaim of grantor's "home farm" in Rehoboth.

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Lewis Leprilete Hicks to "his father, Nathan Hicks and Mother, Prudence Hicks" (all of Rehoboth)
Bk. 126 p. 546 Date Apr. 10, 1828
Use and improvement of one third of about 25 acres of land with bldgs. during their life.

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Est. of Noah Pearce to Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth.
Bk. 132 p. 494 Date Sept. 25, 1830
8 A. 55 rds. being part of home farm of late Noah Pearce in Rehoboth.

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LIST OF CONVEYANCES TO NATHAN HICKS
RECORDED PRIOR TO THE YEAR 1850

Barnard Wheeler to Nathan Hicks "Gent" & John Hicks, Yeoman.
Bk. 137 p. 165 Date Dec. 5, 1832.
12 A. in Munwhague Swamp, Rehoboth.

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Galen Hicks of Taunton to Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth.
Bk. 139 p. 372 Date Sept. 3, 1833
Quit claim of 11 acres & 121 rds. of land with dwelling house, being north part of farm of said Nathan now lives on; also a lot of cedar swamp in Attleboro.

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Randall Haskins to Same
Bk. 139 p. 387 Date Aug. 2, 1827
4 A. & 152 rds. in Rehoboth.

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Daniel Peirce to Nathan Hicks et al. "combines a committee in erecting a meeting House for public worship and service to Almighty God in Rehoboth."
Bk. 144 p. 239 Date Sept. 13, 1833
23 rds. in Rehoboth.

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Isaac Thrasher of Fall River to Nathan Hicks, of Rehoboth.
Bk. 146 p. 250 Date April 11, 1835
Quit Claim of all interest in 14 acres in Rehoboth with bldgs. thereon.

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Philadelphia Wheeler to "Nobel Martin and Nathan Hicks, 2nd. both of Rehoboth.
Bk. 146 p. 262 Date June 10, 1834
5 Acres & 8 rds. Woodland in Rehoboth.

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Henry Thrasher to Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth
Bk. 146 p. 268 Date Apr. 10, 1835
Quit claim of all interest in about 15 acres in Rehoboth, with bldgs. thereon.
(This is the same tract of which Isaac Thrasher sold his interest. See above.)

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Est. Barnard Wheeler to Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth.
Bk. 158 p. 481 Date May 8, 1837
All the right in equity which Barnard Wheeler had at his decease in land in Rehoboth.

LIST OF CONVEYANCES BY NATHAN HICKS
RECORDED PRIOR TO THE YEAR 1850

Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth to Granville Stephens of Rehoboth
Bk. 169 p. 401 Date June 29, 1843
7 acres in Rehoboth.

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Nathan Hicks (wife Sarah) gentleman & John Hicks (wife Avice) Yeoman, both of Rehoboth to Edward L. Kelton of Rehoboth.
Bk. 171 p. 491 Date Mch. 4, 1841
Rehoboth Land.

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"Nathan Hicks of the State of New York, Seraphine A. Carpenter (becomes responsible for the heirs of Jotham C. Hicks, deceased) of Massachusetts, Abner Hicks of New York State, Cyril C. Peck, Cynthia H. Peck, wife of the said Cyril of Massachusetts, George Hicks of Indiana, Mason Hicks of New York, Elias Hicks, Wisconsin Territory, Daniel Hicks of Rhode Island, William R. Hicks, Michigan, Louis Leprilete Hicks of Massachusetts, and Prudence Allen of Massachusetts, heirs of Nathan Hicks & Prudence Hicks, wife of said Nathan, both of Rehoboth, deceased, to James M. Davis of Rehoboth.
Bk. 187 p. 325 Date Feb. 24, 1848.
Woodland in Rehoboth.

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Nathan Hicks (w. Sarah) & John Hicks (wf. Avice) of Rehoboth to Lindley Horton of Rehoboth.
Bk. 196 p. 108 Date Feb. 2, 1850
Woodland in Rehoboth.

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LIST OF CONVEYANCES TO LEWIS L. HICKS
RECORDED PRIOR TO THE YEAR 1863.

Daniel Hicks of Dorchester to Lewis Leprelate Hicks of Rehoboth, Laborer.
Bk. 118 p. 433 Date Jan. 25, 1826
Rehoboth Land.

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Prudence Hicks, wife of Nathan of Rehoboth & Emily T. Hicks, wife of Daniel Hicks of Lowell.
Bk. 133 p. 329 Date Oct. 7, 1831
Release of dower rights in land last abovesaid.

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Daniel Hicks of Providence, Rhode Island to Lewis L. Hicks of Rehoboth.
Bk. 182 p. 485 Date Mch. 20, 1847.
One undivided eleventh of a tract of Woodland in Rehoboth.

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Isaac Jones & wife, Molly (in her right) to Lewis L. Hicks, of Rehoboth.
Bk. 184 p. 158 Date April 30, 1847
Woodland in North part of Great Meadow Hill, Rehoboth.

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Samuel Easterbrooks of Rehoboth to Same.
Bk. 184 p. 200 Date May 13, 1847
Attleboro Land.

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Caleb S. Peck of Rehoboth & al. to Same.
Bk. 216 p. 80 Date May 6, 1854
Farm of 33 Acres in Rehoboth.

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Joseph Borden to Lewis L. Hicks of Rehoboth.
Bk. 234 p. 257 Date Mch. 5, 1857
Mtge. —— About 2 acres in Rehoboth with bldgs.
Possession given for foreclosure of mtge. July 31, 1860.
Bk. 254 p. 70.

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Lewis L. Hicks of Rehoboth (wife Harriet) to Joseph Borden of Norton.
Bk. 182 p. 274 Date Feb. 24, 1847
1½ acres, with bldgs. in Rehoboth.

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Same to Cyril C. Peck of Rehoboth.
Bk. 187 p. 326 Date Dec. 6, 1847
Two undivided elevenths of about 7 acres Woodland in Rehoboth.

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Same to Widow Betsey Davis of Rehoboth.
Bk. 188 p. 227 Date May 15, 1848
Attleboro Land.

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Same to Edwin A. Peck of Rehoboth.
Bk. 264 p. 189 Date Aug. 1862.
Cedar Swamp in Attleboro.

HARRIET HICKS CONVEYANCES

Harriet Hicks to Sarah G. Bowen
Bk. 309 p. 233 Date Dec. 14, 1870
28 acres with bldgs. in Rehoboth.

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Same to Same
Bk. 278 p. 455 Date Jan. 17, 1866
25 Acres with bldgs. & 5A. & 80 rds. pasture land.

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Charles Bowen & wf. Sarah G. Bowen to Harriet Hicks.
Bk. 309 p. 233 Date Dec. 14, 1870
Mtg. $925.
53 acres with bldgs. on W. side of Road from John Davis 2d. to Wm. Smiths, also 5½ acres on E. side said Road (probably the 28 acre and the 25 acre tracts last above said)
This mtge. is not discharged, but was transferred by said Harriet Hicks Est.
(Cyrus M. Wheaton, Exr. of the Will of Harriet Hicks) to Osburn Perry, agent of the Methodist Episcopal Church & Danforth G. Horton, agent of the Union Baptist Church in Rehoboth.
Bk. 335 p. 174 Date Aug. 19, 1873
Cons. $650.

"The above are the only transactions found of record to which Harriet Hicks was a party."

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Charles Bowen of Rehoboth to Danforth G. Horton, Agt. for Union Bapt. Church, Rehoboth & Osborn Perry, Agt. for the Methodist Episcopal Church, Rehoboth.
Bk. 409 p. 476 Date Mch. 5, 1883.
Mtge. $600.
Not dischg'd of record.
The 53 acres & 5½ acres last above said, being premises conveyed to Sarah J. Bowen by Harriet Hicks.

LIST OF CONVEYANCES BY NATHAN HICKS
RECORDED PRIOR TO THE YEAR 1850

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Nathan Hicks to "his father, Hezekiah Hicks and his mother, Desire Hicks", all of Rehoboth.
Bk. 66 p. 75 Date June 9, 1784
Life Lease of land conveyed by his father to him., Dec. 16, 1780.
*** Very important — Proof of lineage.

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Nathan Hicks 2nd (Prudence, his wife) of Rehoboth to Edmund Peck.
Bk. 95 p. 132 Date Feb. 26, 1813
Portion of grantor's home farm in Rehoboth & other ld.

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Nathan Hicks 2nd/& Abner Hicks (Charlotte, his wife)
(Prudence his wife) of Rehoboth,
to Jotham C. Hicks of Taunton
Bk. 105 p. 36 Date Mch. 13, 1816.
Part of farm in Rehoboth lately owned by Otis Peck, deceased.

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Nathan Hicks 2nd to wife Prudence Hicks.
Bk. 108 p. 197 Date Oct. 13, 1809
Land in Rehoboth.

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Nathan Hicks (wf. Mary) to Daniel Hicks, both of Rehoboth.
Bk. 109 p. 443. Date Sept. 10, 1814.
Part of his home farm.

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Nathan Hicks (no wife's signature) to Cyril C. Peck, both of Rehoboth.
Bk. 110 p. 82 Date Nov. 2, 1821.
Land in Rehoboth.

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Same to Daniel Hicks of Rehoboth.
Bk. 110 p. 209 Date Mch. 2, 1822
Rehoboth Land.

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Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth to Daniel Hicks of Dorchester
Bk. 112 p. 178 Date May 28, 1823
Rehoboth Land.

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Same to Elias Hicks of Boston
Bk. 112 p. 178 Date May 28, 1823
Rehoboth Land.

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Same to Galen Hicks of Taunton, "Clergyman"
Bk. 113 p. 270 Date May 28, 1823
50 acres in Rehoboth, being "my homestead farm"
also a piece of Cedar Swamp in Attleboro.

LIST OF CONVEYANCES BY NATHAN HICKS
RECORDED PRIOR TO THE YEAR 1850

Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth, Gentleman and Daniel Hicks of Milbury, Mass., Yeoman to Nathan Bowen, Jr. of Rehoboth.
Bk. 117 pg. 542. Date April 11, 1825
Cons. $200.
"And two-thirds of three quarters of the gristmill, and the supporting of Rachel Hicks during her natural life agreeable to the last will of Nathan Hicks, deceased."
4 tracts of land including the home farm of 30 acres, "being all the real estate that Nathan Hicks, deceased, died seized."
Sarah, wife of Nathan signs this deed, but Deborah, wife of Daniel, does not.

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Nathan Hicks (cordwainer) (wife Mary) of Rehoboth to Samuel Miller of Rehoboth.
Bk. 119 p. 376 Date Aug. 15, 1803
2 acres in Rehoboth.

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Nathan Hix of Rehoboth to James Bliss & al.
Bk. 121 p. 375 Date Nov. 27, 1826
Rehoboth Land.
Wife Prudence mentioned in deed, but does not sign.

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Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth (wife, Sarah) to Nancy Bowen wf. of Nathan Bowen of Rehoboth.
Bk. 123 p. 455 Date Mch. 22, 1828
30 acres & bldgs in Rehoboth "whereon elder Jacob Hicks formerly lived" reserving the burying lot as given by elder John Hicks for a public burying ground." This sale also includes the "one fourth of a Grist Mill & privilege owned in common with Samuel Baker & Nancy Bowen.

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Nathan Hicks 2nd (wife Sarah) of Rehoboth to Noble Martin
Bk. 132 p. 150 Date Mch. 4, 1831
100 rods in Rehoboth.

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Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth to Benoni Hicks of Taunton
Bk. 132 p. 167 Date May 17, 1831
No wife's name given.
All grantor's right in the Est. of Jotham Hicks of Rehoboth, deceased.

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Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth (wife, Sarah) to Nathaniel Pierce of Dighton.
Bk. 132 p. 496 Date Sept. 12, 1831
Land in Rehoboth.

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Same to Lydia Wheeler, Admx. Est. Jeremiah Wheeler, 2nd.
Bk. 142 p. 377 Date April 22, 1834
Rehoboth Land - two tracts.

LIST OF CONVEYANCES BY NATHAN HICKS
RECORDED PRIOR TO THE YEAR 1850

Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth & Benoni Hicks of Taunton & Isaac Jones to John Davis 2nd of Rehoboth.
Bk. 144 p. 368 Date June 29, 1831
Cedar swamp in Attleboro of which Jotham Hicks of Rehoboth died seized.

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Same to Same
Bk. 144 p. 369 Date Mch. 10, 1832
Woodland in Rehoboth.

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Nathan Hicks 2nd of Rehoboth to Noble Martin of Rehoboth.
Bk. 146 p. 263 Date Jan. 19, 1835
Rehoboth Land.

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Nathan Hicks of Rehoboth & Benoni Hicks of Taunton to Isaac Jones of Rehoboth.
Bk. 147 p. 11 Date June 25, 1835
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Nathan Hicks (wife Sarah) of Rehoboth to Samuel Nichols of Rehoboth
Bk. 149 p. 156 Date Feb. 20, 1836
20 acres of land & buildings in Rehoboth "where I formerly lived."

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Same to Richard Bullock, Jr. of Rehoboth
Bk. 149 p. 507 Date Dec. 12, 1835
Rehoboth Land.

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Same to Same
Bk. 149 p. 508 Same Date
Rehoboth Land.

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Same to Mason Barney of Swanzey
Bk. 150 p. 10 Date Dec. 29, 1825
Swanzey Land.

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Same to Henry Bryant of Rehoboth
Bk. 159 p. 95 Date Mch. 19, 1839
Rehoboth Land.

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Nathan Hicks to Lewis L. Hicks, both of Rehoboth.
Bk. 168 p. 151 Date Sept. 16, 1843
"All my right, title & interest that I have to any land situated within the Town of Rehoboth, in said county with all the buildings thereon standing." Also a piece of Cedar Swamp in Attleboro.

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THE PIONEERS

The following is a story of pioneer life in America as told to John Dale Wilkinson by his Grandmother, Harriet Irena Hicks Dale. The story is of her father's (George W. Hick's) family and their moving into the unexplored west.

"Thomas Hicks of Bermondsey Street, London, England, who came to this country in 1623 in the ship Ann, settled in Massachusetts. He was the ancestor of my Great Grandfather, George W. Hicks, born in 1795 at North Rehoboth, Mass. who was the son of Nathan Hicks, a soldier of the American Revolution.

"When about twenty years of age, he went to help his married brother, Nathan, clear up his farm located in western New York, near Canandaigua. During his stay of several years he saved up some money and came west to Indiana in the spring of 1823. He remained there until the sale of Government Land at Indianapolis and bought 160 acres lying about three-fourths of a mile west of the Wabash River, on which, in 1827 the town of Perrysville was located. Mr. James Blair, a revolutionary soldier, named the town after Commodore Perry, whom he fought under on Lake Champlain.

"After my Great Grandfather bought the land, he went back to his brother's in New York State and in the fall of 1823 married Mary Curtis of Allen's Hill, New York. Her brother, Amos Curtis, married about the same time and being much enthused over the new western country, the two young married couples fitted up two large covered wagons with household supplies and clothing, and with two teams of good strong horses they started out on their journey for the great undeveloped west.

"As they went on their way they camped at nights by some small stream where they sometimes caught fish for their evening meal and had water for their horses and cooking. They killed wild game along the way and pobably enjoyed the journey in the beautiful Indiana summer, never dreaming of paved roads, automobiles or traffic cops. One of the horses became sick and died so they fastened one wagon behind the other and let the three horses pull the two wagons the rest of the way. They arrived safely without any trouble with the Indians.

"Indianapolis at this time was just a few houses and Crawfordsville where they bought some corn was just three log cabins. They came on to Clinton, Indiana where Amos Curtis bought a farm. The wives stayed in Clinton and the two husbands came up to George Hicks' farm and with the aid of two or three men cut the logs and built a house and barn. They finished the house about Christmas except the door which was made a few days after they moved in. The weather was as warm as springtime.

"They stocked up the farm a little at a time with horses, cows, hogs, chickens, sheep, a dog and a cat. They cooked on a crane in a big fire-place, always keeping a fire, for they had no matches and if the fire went out they would have to start it with flint and steel.

"One Sunday morning Great Grandfather took some salt and went up to the woods to salt the cows so they would not stray away. Some Indians of the Pottowattomie tribe came through the woods on their ponies all dressed up in their war paints going to Terre Haute to get supplies of ammunition and blankets. Grandmother saw them coming and thought of hiding in the corn, but she saw Grandfather with them so she stayed in the house. The Indians came and ransacked the house, some of them climbed up into the loft and found a dipper made out of a gourd. The Indians wanted it and took it leaving a coon skin for pay. They said they wanted it to put powder in. They were friendly and came to the house many times. The squaws would give Grandma their babies and take hers and when they got ready to go, they would laugh and take back their babies and say, 'Swappie, swappie, no swap.' The old chief talked French and would get Grandfather to tell him the name of things in English and laugh veryhard about it. He would come alone and sleep before the fireplace half a day at a time and he was so much in the way as all the cooking was done there that Grandmother told him to 'purckachee' which was the Indiana word meaning 'go away'. He felt so insulted that he went away and didn't come again for a long time.

"After a few years other settlers came and as they had no markets near for the wheat that was raised on the farms, Grandfather and two or three others built a flat-boat and loaded it with pork, corn, wheat, flour and meal and started down the Wabash River. Their objective point was New Orleans. They sold to the planters on their way down and sold the flat-boat and all at New Orleans. They came up the river again on steam-boats as far as they could and walked, when they could not ride. Sometimes they encountered a great deal of trouble on their trips down; they would have to get out in the water and push to loosen the boat. Once when the night was very dark and an awful electrical storm was

raging around the electricity was so great that it hung around the edges of their wet hats. They had a hard time getting the boat loose from the bar where it was stuck, but they always got through without serious trouble. Grandfather made his last trip in the spring of 1844, that time he had a general merchandise store at Perrysville, Indiana, and as the boats came all the way up he would buy goods for his store and have them brought up on the steam-boats.

"In the earlier years when he went on the flat boats the children were small there was one boy about 12 yrs. old. One night Grandmother heard a noise at the barn, she got the lantern, awoke the little boy, took the gun and started out. The wolves were after the sheep that were in the barn yard. She shot at the wolves and ran to the barn, opened the door, drove in the sheep and fastened the door tight and the gate to the high fence about the barn, shot a few times at the wolves and ran to the house. After a while the wolves got up on the top of the barn and tried to tear off the strong clapboards that formed the roof, but they could not loosen them, so by daylight they went away. Deer and wild turkeys were plentiful, also wild honey and delicious wild strawberries and blackberries.

"Grandfather used to go to the mill about seven miles south of Perrysville near where Eugene now stands and where Mrs. McDowell's bungalow stands on the Big Vermillion River. There is a ford here where a battle was fought with the Indians at one time. Grandfather found an old bayonnet near there, which they still have at the old home.

"When Danville was just a village, the people used to drive to Perrysville for dry-goods and supplies of every kind. The Wabash River boats made regular stops up and down and Perrysville was a very busy place.

"After living in town a few years, Great Grandfather decided to build a new house on the farm. He made the brick from clay found on the farm and cut black walnut trees and hauled them across the river to a saw mill. He had it sawed and kiln dried and used it for all the woodwork except the doors. The house was built in 1841 on a hill overlooking the valley and town about a mile from the Wabash River. The road from Danville to Ferrysville goes by the house. The road from Ferrysville to Georgetown was laid with thick plank and toll houses were built where people had to pay for riding on the plank road. It was built in about 1848 or 1849, but in a few years the plank began to warp and get loose so it had to be taken up. This was the forerunner of the Dixie Highway and other paved roads in the country today. Even today this road that used to be paved with planks is unpaved and in stormy weather gets into a pretty bad condition.

"The Hicks Farm of 160 acres bought at $1.25 per acre is still in the family and will have been owned by them one hundred years in 1923.

"Written in 1922, April.

Harriet I. Hicks Dale."

OLD LETTERS

The following letters addressed to George Hicks, Sr. of Perrysville, Indiana, are copies of old letters now in possession of Margaret Wilkinson Birch.

Rehoboth, Oct. 10th, '62

Respected Nephew: (meaning Cyrus Hicks)

I have just received a letter from my Brother-in-law, George Hicks, at the same time, my Son, Cyril, Received one from you, both on one subject, that Nathan Hicks was dead; in his letter he died March 17th, in yours, Sept. 19th, but that is immaterial. He appears to want information, in order to carry on a law suit with the Lees concerning Nathan's estate, whether the Lees are to have his property or the Hicks, as Nathan's wife died before he did, it may alter the case & give the Property to the Hicks's and he wished me to give the names of my family and also of Prudence's family as lawful heirs. I shall now proceed according to his letter.

My family living are 10 children. Cyril, my oldest, lives near by me. Obidiah __ Peck lives in San Jose, Cal. - Cynthia, the next by age lives in Clinton Co., Iowa: her present Husband's name is Orin Steinberg. Philip lives in Rehoboth. Mason lives in Pawtucket, R. I. George is in the War, 7th Mass. Regiment. Rhoda M. lives with me; her husband, Nathaniel I. Thurber is in the war. Cassandana lives in Norton, Ms. - her husband, Josiah Woodward, Jr. Alfred R. lives with me and also Ruth Adeline _____.

Prudence Allen Children are thus: Prudence married Erva (?) Howland of New Bedford. She, I believe, is living in Worcester, Mass. with her brother, William while her husband is as Sea. Elizabeth's Husband's name is Chester I. Reed of Taunton, a Lawyer. Sibyl married an

____ Andrus of Berkly. I don't know first name. Thus you have got all you requested.

Ieprelate is very sick nigh unto Death. He has lived beyond expectation. He took his bed last February, has not left it, but a few times since. He is now so weak we cannot move him only in bed. ____(?) in his head and has a bad cough. Doctor has given him over for sometime. I thought his brother (meaning George) would like to hear.

Cyril wished me to direct my letter to you as that would save him the trouble and you could mail this and direct it to George. You can fill up this letter and it will answer for us both. (He didn't fill up letter, but added the following one.) I would state that I enjoy a good degree of health (Through Grace) for an old man and hope that these lines will find you all enjoying the Same Blessing.

We buried Durius Bowen yesterday.

Yours, W- Cyril C. Peck

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Boston, Oct. __, 1962

Dear Uncle,

I have received a letter from Uncle Peck & I will send it to you. We have sent you a correct list of Aunt Allyn's family. Chester I. Reed & wife will be in New York State & will call on you this week. He married Elizabeth Allyn, he is a Lawyer & will probably assist you if you need any assistance. The information that Uncle Peck has given in his letter respecting Aunt Allyn family is not correct. I would like to have you write & let us know how you are gitting along.

Yours Respectfully,
Cyrus Hicks.

House of Representatives
Boston

Boston, August 20th, 1864

Dear Uncle,

I received a letter from you last spring informing us of the death of Mrs. English. When she visited Boston we little thought that it was the last time that we should see her, but life is uncertain. I was over to Rehoboth last week and took dinner with Uncle C. C. Peck. He is well and smart as any of his boys. He is 75 years old. I stop'd over night at Sarraphine's. She is well. I had thought that I should visit you this month with my wife, but her Father is afailing quite fast. He is 95 years old and Mrs. Hicks is staying with him, but we have given it up for the present.

I should like very much to be at Chicago on the 29 to attend the Democrat Convention. I expect that it will be the largest ever held in this Union. I feel quite shure that we can send Lincoln back to Illinois on the 4th of March next. He then can swap Horses before crossing the stream or after as he likes. Abraham says: to whom it may concern: everything shall go to distruction if he can't free the Negro.

I should like to hear how you are getting along with the Lees, or Uncle Nathan property. Please write me soon what the prospects are. I think the Lees have had a large share.

Give our regards to your family and to Mr. English and say to him that I shall write to him soon.

Yours Resp.
Cyrus Hicks.

Rehoboth, May 9th, 1865

Dear Uncle,

I received your letter (the 8th of May) with gladness and sorrow, glad to hear from you once more, with sorrow that one other has gone the way of all the earth, but so it is and so it must be. Time flies fast and adds to our years, our mortal frame decays and we hasten to the dust from which we were taken. But the grave is not our resting place. Our immortal souls, if found resting in Jesus shall never die, no, never die. May heaven be that blest abode where you and I and all our kindred shall meet to part no more.

How was it with Uncle Mason? Do you think that his spirit rests with God in Heaven? I know nothing of your religion, Dear Uncle, but I hope you have seen your way to Jesus and lean upon Him for salvation. If so, bright and glorious will be that crown which you will wear e'er long.

You wrote of Uncle Mason's property. If there is anything that belongs to us we should be glad to have it. I hope wright and justice will be done and each shall have there shair.

Has Uncle Nathan's estate been settled? If so, how? Give my love to all your family.

Write soon and often, for I shall want to know how things are.

From your neice,
Seraphine D. Carpenter.

Boston, Feb. __, '68

Dear Uncle,

I am very sorry to hear you are in poor health. I hope when the spring comes you may feel better so you can come on to see us. I thought we might have been out there before this, but I have been back on the road as Mail Agent for the last two years.

I should like to have seen Aunt Mary before she passed away. I think you must feel very lonely after living together so long a time. We have not heard from Mr. English_ family. I hope to hear soon.

Our friends in Rehoboth are all well & also the Allyne family. Leonelat Hicks' only child is dead. He died more than a year ago.

I have been around to the different Offices & they say they shan't (?) inshure the Property any less than they will in Milwaukee. One Office has got an Agent out there & he said it was one per cent. I did not tell them what they charged there, but some of them said they should have to __?__ on to see before they took it. Perhaps you can git it done less in New York, but I can't here.

I was very glad to hear how the case was gitting along at Lockport.

I hope you will write & let us know how your health is & try to come on & make us a visit this summer.

Please remember us to all your family.

Yours Respt.,
Cyrus Hicks.

HICKS RESERVE FUND MAY
MAKE NORTON WEALTHY
COMMUNITY

Believer in Compound Interest Who Started Novel Nest Egg 50 Years Ago Now Hailed as Town's Greatest Benefactor. Income From Undisturbed Principal To Begin in About Four Years. — Remarkable Document Probably Unique.

(Note: The above headline appeared in Providence Sunday Journal, June 5, 1927.)

Picture of Cyrus Hicks appeared under which was the following notation:

"Imbued with Ben Franklin Philosophy, He Began Two Funds a Half Century Ago, One for Care of Cemetery Lot and the Other for the Town of Norton. Nearly Forty Years After His Death the Forethought of the Maker of the Curious Provisions is being Appreciated."

** The following are excerpts from the newspaper article:

Cyrus Hicks of Boston, nearly half a century after his death, is beginning to be hailed by the citizens of Norton, Mass., as the town's greatest benefactor.

He once signed his name to two documents which, if events take their natural course, will one day make Norton a wealthy community.

He was a quiet man with chin whiskers, an admirer of Benjamin Franklin and a believer in compound interest. He had amassed a large fortune, at least it was so regarded in his time, and six years before his death he took the first step in a course of action that will benefit Nortonites for centuries to come.

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..... The Hicks trust fund met with considerable opposition when its terms were first revealed and the Massachusetts General Court passed an act to authorize its acceptance by the town.

That done, the town believed it expedient to accept the terms, although there were some who continued to hold the opinion that the fund inflicted unnecessary burden. Mr. Hicks, having no children or near relatives, had but two objects in view, the perpetual care of the family cemetery lot and the welfare of the town in which his wife had been born.

On June 30, 1883, with the consent of the General Court and the town Mr. Hicks delivered to the Board of Selectmen of Norton $4000 in bonds "to be forever held in trust," with the understanding that one-half of the income was to be used for the care of the cemetery lot, the other half for the ordinary expenses of the town. Believing that half the income

would be more than necessary to defray the cemetery expenses, Mr. Hicks directed that the surplus annually should be paid into another fund to be known as the Hicks reserve fund.

The town refused to show any great interest until after Mr. Hicks's death in 1889, when it was revealed that he had left the residue of his estate, amounting to $22,210.43 to the reserve fund. The board of selectmen and the treasurer hastily searched the records to refresh their memories regarding the terms of the fund.

These provided that the principal of the fund should remain "forever undisturbed", but when the income reached the sum of $5000 annually, $100 was to be paid to the town and $100 for the adornment of the cemetery lot. When the income amounted to $10,000, $200 was to be paid to the town and $200 for the care of the lot.

A lot of mathematicians would have stopped right there and let the town do its own figuring, but not Mr. Hicks. He was a believer in compound interest. He visualized his reserve fund as growing into the hundreds of thousands, eventually into the millions, and he carried the matter through to its conclusion.

He provided that the town should receive $100 for each additional increase of $5000 income, and the same amount applied annually to the care of the lot and the cemetery, as a whole, until the income reached the sum of $100,000 annually. At this time $20,000 was to be paid to the town and $3000 expended annually "for the care and adornment of the whole cemetery," and to make sure of this care, he added "and a good trusty man employed there by the year."

Did he pause there with the mental reservation, "Now let the town do the rest?" by no means! "When the income is $200,000," continued this exponent of banking principles $5000 shall be expended for the cemetery annually, and for every $100,000 increase of income the town shall be paid $20,000."

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The faith which the donor imposed in the town has been more than justified, for the reserve fund has grown and multiplied until the amount of the principal sum now stands at $80,786.48 and the annual income amounts to between $3000 and $4000. .....

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Owing to the State requirement, the securities have to be kept in a safe deposit vault having a three-key locking system. And as Boston is the nearest city having a bank with such a locking device, the securities are kept there, one key being held by the bank, one by one of the Selectmen, the other by the Treasurer. .....

***Next follows a declaration of Mr. Hicks stating the purpose of the Hicks Reserve Fund.

..... The remainder of this statement deals with the divisions of the income at various stages of accumulation and with detailed instructions for the care of the cemetery lot and the cemetery. In his will Mr. Hicks, after making a number of other bequests, simply states that the residue of his estate shall be added to the reserve fund.

The will is not unusual in any other way except for one request, that the executors set aside the sum of $600 in a savings bank, the income to be expended for the care of a pet parrot.

The townspeople are unable to recall anything about Mr. Hicks's career, except that as a young man he was a carpenter and that he was shrewd and capable in any business venture in which he engaged. Mrs. Hicks, whose maiden name was Mary Wood, was a native of Norton and maintained an interest in the town's activities.

Mrs. E. M. Lincoln, a grand niece of Mrs. Hicks, recalls that the latter was intensely interested in spiritualism and that after her death Mr. Hicks, although professing complete lack of faith in spiritual communication, visited a clairvoyant for the purpose, he explained, of giving spiritualists a fair test. He is reputed to have remained unconvinced. ***Note: I have letters in which Mrs. E. M. Lincoln is referred to.

The Hicks lot is located in the Centre Cemetery near the Congregational Church. Upon the large monument in the middle are carved his name and that of his wife. But in the opinion of the townspeople the Hicks reserve fund will perpetuate the name long after the inscription on the stone has been erased.

*** Newspaper article also included picture of Mrs. Hicks, Whose Maiden Name Was Mary Wood —— A Portion of Will of Cyrus Hicks, Showing Signature and a picture of George E. Smith, Town Clerk and Treasurer, Who is a Trustee of the Hicks Reserve Fund.

**** See Letters of Cyrus Hicks, also note on D. A. R. Papers of Elizabeth Dale Wilkinson, saying that —— "Cousin Cyrus was the son of Jothan Hicks".

LINEAGE OF HEZEKIAH HICKS' AND DESIRE CARPENTER
COPIED FROM NOTEBOOK OF ELIZABETH DALE WILKINSON'S,
LINEAGE TAKEN FROM N. A. CHASE

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Hezekiah Hicks, b. 1715 b. Feb. 5th, 1788
married April 15, 1738
Desire Carpenter, b. June 3, 1716, d. May 28, 1800
Children:
- Hezekiah Hicks 2
- James Hicks 2 - died in Revolution - b. April 21, 1742, d. Feb. 12th, 1760
- Gideon Hicks 2) twins
- Jotham Hicks 2)
- Abel Hicks 2
- Nathan Hicks 2 — Revolutionary soldier
- Anna Hicks 2
- Mary Hicks 2
- Desire Hicks 2

Hezekiah Hicks 2 married Prudn Bullock
Children:
- Hezekiah Hicks 3
- James Hicks 3
- Hannah Hicks 3
- Polly Hicks 3

Hezekiah Hicks 3 married Deborah Codding
Children:
- Hezekiah Hicks 4
- Jotham Hicks 4
- Almira Hicks 4

No more of this line

Gideon Hicks 2 married Celia Williams
Children:
- Galen Hicks 3 - Clergyman
- Gideon Hicks 3
- William Hicks 3
- Benoni Hicks 3
- Sally Hicks 3
- Celia Hicks 3
- Keith Hicks 3

Galen Hicks 3 (Clergyman) married Sally Cody
Child:
- Caroline Hicks 4 - in Taunton

Gideon Hicks 3 married Sally Peck
Children:
Clarissa Hicks 4
Emeline Hicks 4 married James H. Cole
Gideon William Hicks 4 married Mary Brown
Alfred Pearce Hicks 4 married Eleanor Gray Ring
Celia Millard Hicks 4
Fanny Maria Hicks 4
Phillip Hicks 4 (Calais, Vt.)
Hilliard Hicks 4

Clarissa Hicks 4 married Nelson Chase
Children:
Jane Chase 5
Gloria Chase 5
Nelson Chase 5
Realt Chase 5
Edgar Chase 5
Eugene Chase 5
Ellen Mary Chase 5
Ida Chase 5
Eugenia Chase 5

No more of this line

William Hicks 3 married Polly Tisdale
Children: - at Homer, N. Y.
Pearly Hicks 4
Evander Hicks 4
Washington Hicks 4

No more of this line

Benoni Hicks 3 married Lydia Godfrey
Children:
Healthy Lysander Hicks 4
George Bradford Hicks 4
Laura Ann Hicks 4

No more of this line

Sally Hicks 3 married Leonard Tisdale
Children: - at Homer, N. Y.
Leonard Tisdale 4
Eveline Tisdale 4
Alonzo Tisdale 4

No more of this line

Celia Hicks 3 married David Wallard
Child: - at Bloomfield, N. Y.
Mary Wallard

No more of this line

Keith Hicks 3 married Perez Hall
No children listed

Jotham Hicks 2 married Chloe Wheeler
Child:
Jotham Hicks 3 - "by a former connexion"

No more of this line

Abel Hicks 2 married Ruth Reed
Children:
Joseph Hicks 3
Rufus Hicks 3
Nancy Hicks 3
Lucinda Hicks 3
Hannah Hicks 3
Nathan Hicks 3

No more of this line

Anna Hicks 2 married James Hall
Children:
James Hall 3
Anna Hall 3
Jotham Hall 3 - Putnam, Vt. "now scattered"

No more of this line

Mary Hicks 2 married _____ Knapp
Child:
Mary Knapp 3 - Springfield, Vt.

No more of this line

Desire Hicks 2 married Abel Burt
Children:
Abel Burt 3
Desire Burt 3
Alanson Burt 3

No more of this line

NATHAN HICKS' LINE

Nathan Hicks 2, b. April 20, 1762, d. Oct. 10, 1845
married February 24, 1782
Prudence Round, b. 1764, d. Feb. 26, 1845
Children:

Cyrus Hicks 3, b. Dec. 15, 1782, died at 21 years, unmarried.

Nathan Hicks 3, b. Oct. 26, 1784, d. ....
married ....
Love Lee b. .... d. .... "before husband"
Apparently no children, as there was a law suit referred to in letters, at Lockport, N. Y. over the settlement of Nathan's Estate.

Prudence Hicks 3, b. June 22, 1786 d. ...
married .....
Chas. Y. Allen, later changed to Allyn, b. ... d. ....
Children:
Prudence Allen 4, b. ... d. ...
married .....
Erva (?) Howland, b. ... d. ... of New Bedford
William Allen 4, b. ... d. ...
Elizabeth Allen 4, b. ... d. ...
married .....
Chester I. Reed, b. ... d. ... of Taunton, Mass.
Sibyl Allen 4, b. .... d. ....
married .....
..... Andros b. .... d. .... of Berkly.

Jothan Hicks 3, b. July 27, 1789 d. ... before his father, Nathan, had children, see Deed p. 19.
married .....
..... b. .... d. .....
Children:
"Cousin Cyrus Hicks was his son"
See Letters p. 29, 30, 31, 33, also Excerpts from newspaper article, p. 34.

Abner Hicks 3, b. April 20, 1791 d. ....

Cynthia Hicks 3, b. April 28, 1793, d. ....
married .....
Cyril C. Peck, b. .... d. .....
Children: (as listed in Letter p. 29.)
Cyril Peck 4, "lives in Rehoboth"
Obidiah Peck 4, "lives in San Jose, Calif."

Cynthia Peck 4,
married .....
Orin Steinberg and live in Clinton County, Iowa.
I have letters from their daughter, I think, a Mrs. Cynthia Sheetz of Burlington, Iowa, written to my Grandmother, Mrs. Harriet Hicks Dale.
Philip Peck 4, in Rehoboth
Mason Peck 4, in Pawtuckett, R. I.
George Peck 4, "in the war, 7th Mass. Regiment, 1862."
Rhoda M. Peck 4, - in Rehoboth
married
Nathaniel I. Thurber
Cassandana Peck 4
married
Josiah Woodward Jr. of Norton, Mass.
I have letters from this family also.
Alfred R. Peck 4
Ruth Adeline Peck 4.

No more of Peck Line

George Hicks 3, — See following p. 42.

Mason Hicks 3, b. April 11, 1797

Elias Hicks 3, b. June 2, 1799 d. ... Went to Wisconsin Territory

Daniel Hicks 3, b. June 10, 1801 d. .....

William R. Hicks 3, b. Jan. 26, 1804 d. .... Went to Michigan

Lewis L. (La Prelate) Hicks 3, b. Feb. 10, 1807 d. Oct. 27, 1862
married .....
Harriet ..... b. .... d. Dec. 21, 1872
Children:
Cyrus L. Hicks 4, b. ... d. ... before his mother

*** See Nathan Hicks Will, p. 12, Lewis L. Hicks appointed Executor.
Also See Lewis L. Hicks Will p. 14 and Harriet Hicks' Will p. 15.

INDIANA HICKS'S

George Washington Hicks 3
b. April 10, 1795 d. Oct. 1, 1878
married September 7, 1823 in New York State
Mary Curtis,
b. March 26, 1803 d. Feb. 7, 1868

*** Migrated west to Perrysville, Indiana in 1823,
See story "Pioneers" p. 25.

Children:

Mary Hicks 4

Lewis Leprelate Hicks 4

George Hicks (1st) 4, b. July 12, 1827, d. Oct. 1st, 1828

Caroline R. Hicks 4

Jane Irena Hicks 4

Cyrus Hicks 4

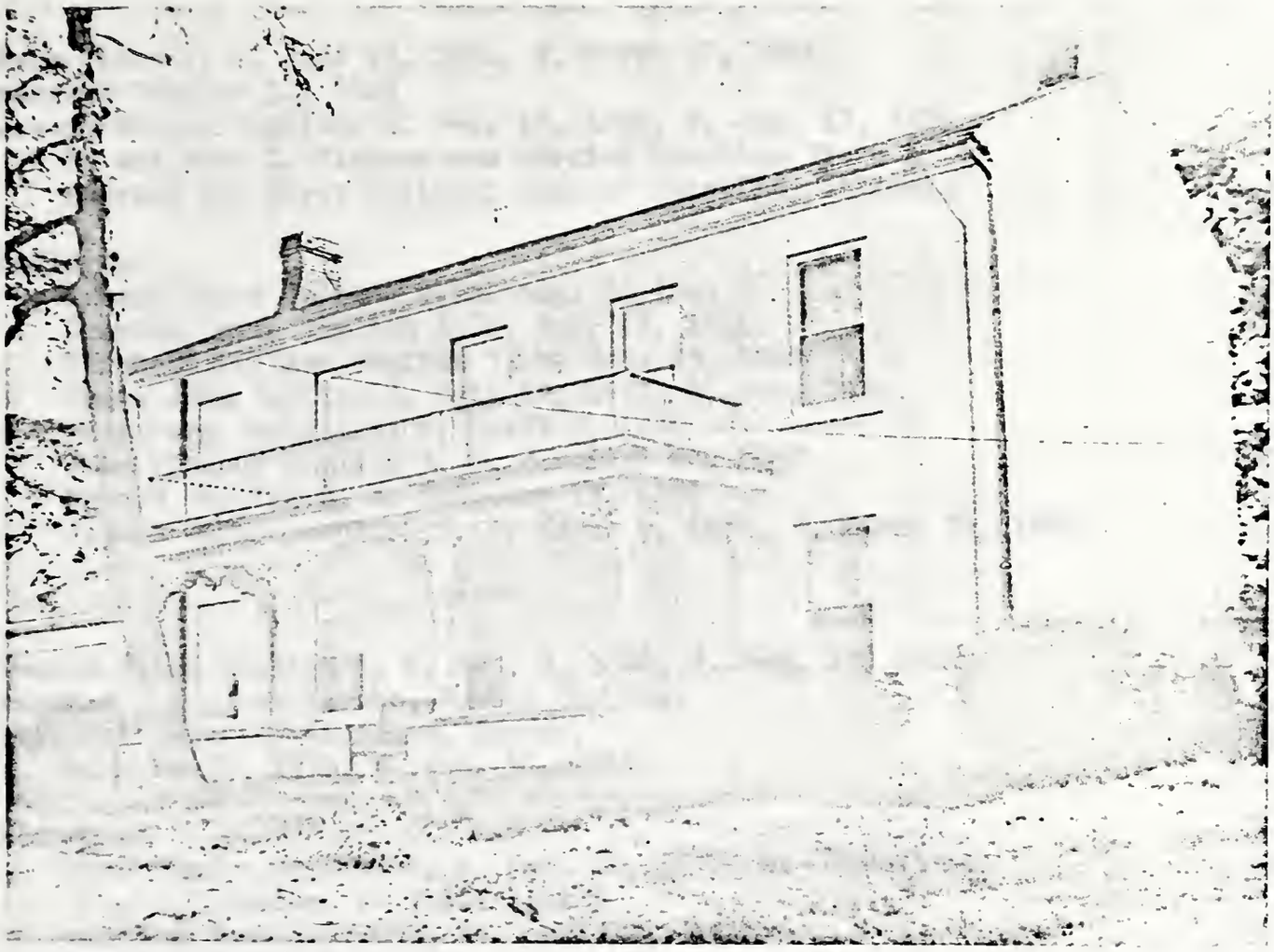
Prudence Hicks 4, b. Sept. 10, 1836, d. Feb. 5, 1838

Napoleon Hicks 4, b. Oct. 10, 1838, d. Feb. 17, 1894, unmarried

George R. Hicks (2nd) 4

Harriet Hicks 4

*** The above taken from Family Bible at old Homestead



HICKS HOMESTEAD

WEST OF PERRYSVILLE, INDIANA

Mary Hicks 4, b. June 13, 1824, d. March 17, 1864
married October 31, 1843
Joseph Gibson English, b. Dec. 17, 1820, d. Jan. 17, 1910
* He and John L. Tincher who married Caroline Hicks 4 started the First National Bank of Danville, Illinois

Children:
George Hicks English 5, b. Aug. 3, 1844
Charles Lewis English 5, b. July 15, 1846
Harriett Lillian English 5, b. June 13, 1848
Irene Jane English 5, July 12, 1851, d. Oct. 1934
Anna Mary English 5, b. April 8, 1854
John Tincher English 5, b. November 20, 1857
Edward English 5, b. February 15, 1861
Joseph Gibson English 5, b. March 9, 1864, d. March 23, 1864

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George Hicks English 5, b. Aug. 3, 1844, d. Aug. 19, 1912
married _____ at Neosho, Newton Co., Mo.
Margaret Essen of Otonabee, Canada,
b. June 20, 1850, d. Jan. 12, 1944

Children:
Mary Harriet English 6, b. Nov. 10, 1872, at Greenfield, Kansas, — Still Living
married June 19, 1895, at Danville, Illinois
William Bailey Price, b. _____ d. _____
Children: 3
_____
_____
_____

Joseph Lewis English 6, b. Dec. 6, 1874, Canola, Kan. Still Living
Anna Maria English 6, b. March 17, 1876, Canola, Kan.
married _____ at Danville, Illinois
Harley Roy Crull, b. _____
William L. English 6, b. Dec. 19, 1879, Lake City, Kan.
married _____ at Danville, Illinois
Emma Cutsinger

Carolyn Tincher English 6, b. Aug. 28, 1888
Still Living at Danville, Illinois
married November 27, 1912
Buell Helmick Snyder, b. Aug. 29, 1889 d. Aug. 19, 1930
Children:
Buell English Snyder 7, b. Aug. 8, 1913 d. March 25, 1920
Carroll English Snyder 7, b. Aug. 26, 1915 - Still Living
married Sept. 21, 1940
Luise Baum b. _____ 1917, Still Living
Children:
Rhue Ann Snyder 8, b. Nov. 30, 1944
Carol Snyder 8, b. Dec. 3, 1946
Mary Harriet Snyder 7, b. Nov. 18, 1917 - Still Living
married August 3, 1946
Wallace V. Hornback, b. Aug. 14, 1916 - Still Living
Children:
Timothy Buell Hornback 8, b. Aug. 22, 1947
Terry Hornback 8, b. March 27, 1949
Douglas Hornback 8)
David Hornback 8) twins, b. Sept. __, 1956

***Note: This is all I have of the English Line except to say that Irena Jane English 5 married her step-brother, _____ Partlow and had children, among whom was Cora who married Ben Taylor of the Taylor Family, whose family history is also contained in this volume.

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Lewis La Prelate Hicks 4, b. Oct. 9, 1825 d. ____, 1906
*He was a "49'er" and returned from California around the tip of South America. Lived in Rantoul. Buried in Champaign.
married .....
Emily .....
Children:
Lewis La Prelate Hicks 5, b. ..... d. .....
Estella Hicks 5, b. .... d. .....
Bertha Hicks 5, b. Sept. 3, 1873 d. ____, 1948
married June 16, 1897
Sep. Stewart Smith, b. Dec. 26, 1873 d. May __, 1948
Children:
Marjorie L. Smith 6, b. Sept. 15, 1899 - Still Living
married August 8, 1923
Trent D. Sickles b. July 4, 1899 - Still Living
Children:
Blaine T. Sickles 7, b. May 27, 1925 - Still Living
married 1st, Delores .... June, 1946
Child: Gary Stewart Sickles 8, b. Sept. 9, 1947
married 2nd. June, 1954
Virginia Turner, b. .....
Child: Robert T. Sickles 8, b. Oct. 18, 1955

Madelyn M. Sickles 7, b. July 17, 1928, Still Living
married August 31, 1951
Fred Fisher, b. ....
Children:
Melanie Fisher 8, b. Nov. 7, 1954
Melinda Fisher 8, b. Jan. 6, 1957

Dorothy Smith 6, b. June 3, 1903, Still Living
married May, 1946
Cale M. Dean, b. ....., Still Living

Barbara Smith 6, b. Dec. 14, 1915, Still Living
married .....
Wm. A. Tomlin, b. ....., Still Living
Children:
Heather Lee Tomlin 7, b. ____, 1952
William Douglas Tomlin 7, b. _____, 1954
Laurie Ann Tomlin 7, b. _____, 1956
John Stewart Tomlin 7, b. _____, 1958

This is all of the Lewis La Prelate Hicks Line

Caroline Round Hicks 4, b. Oct. 21, 1829, d. Dec. 31, 1916
married April 18, 1850
John L. Tincher, b. (In Ky.) 1821, d. Dec. 17, 1871
Children:
Charles Culbertson Tincher 5, b. Nov. 7, 1851, d. Jan. 21, 1906
married ..... and divorced
Alice Sidell, b. ... d. .....
Children:
Cline Tincher 6, b. .... Still Living
Others not living
George Francis Tincher 5, b. June 14, 1853, d. Sept. 23, 1894
unmarried
Julia C. Tincher 5, b. June 7, 1855, d. April 20, 1907
married Sept. 14, 1876
E. H. E. Kimbrough, b. 1851, d. 1930
Child:
Robert Kimbrough 6, b. 1877, d. 1896
Luella Belle Tincher 5, b. Nov. 18, 1860, d. Dec. 30, 1930
married .....
Richard D. Harvey, b. Sept. 25, 1858, d. Dec. 9, 1933
Tilgman Tincher 5, b. May 30, 1863, d. Sept. 22, 1864
Joseph Tincher 5, b. ..... d. .....
married .....
"Dolly" ....., b. ..... d. .....
No Issue
John L. Tincher 5, b. Oct. 8, 1866, d. June 30, 1928
married ....
Clara E. Abell, b. Aug. 5, 1870, Still Living
Children:
Louise Caroline Tincher 6, b. May 14, 1897, d. Dec. 8, 1905
John L. Tincher III 6, b. Feb. 11, 1907, Still Living
married ..... and divorced
Gertrude Kay, b. ....., Still Living
Child:
Louise Tincher 7, b. Feb. 10, 1942, Still Living
Thomas Luther Tincher 5, b. ..... d. .....
married .....
Nina Williams, b. .... d. .....
No Issue.

Jane Irena Hicks 4, b. July 12, 1831, d. April 18, 1874
married .....
Gilbert Martin, b. .... d. ... Lived in Leavenworth, Kan.
Children:
    Tom Martin 5, b. .... d. ...
    married ...
    ..... b. ... d. .....
    Children:
        Tomasita Martin 6, b. ...
        Herbert Martin 6, b. ...
        Billie Martin 6, b. ...
        Margerile Martin 6, b. ...
        George Martin 6, b. ...
    Frank Martin 5, b. .... d. .....
    married ....
    .....
    Children:
        Gilbert Martin 6, b. ....
        Janet Martin 6, b. ....
    Ed Martin 5, b. .... d. .....
    married .....
    ..... b. ..... d. .....
    Children
        Ruth Martin 6, b. .....
        Florrence Martin 6, b. ...
        Alice May Martin 6, b. ...

This is all I have of the Jane Irena Hicks Martin Line

Cyrus Hicks 4, b. June 13, 1833, d. .....
married .....
..... b. .... d. .....
Children:
    Had one daughter

George R. Hicks 4, b. Jan. 10, 1842 d. ...
married .....
Gertrude Riggs, b. ... d. ..... Both buried at Hicks Cemetery, Perrysville, Indiana
Children:
    Curtis Hicks 5, b. .... Still Living in Colorado
        Unmarried
    Frank Hicks 5, b. ... d. ... Buried at Hicks Cemetery
        Unmarried

Lulu Hicks 5, b. ....., Still living in Florida
married .....
Clifford Tillotson, b. ....
Children:
George Tillotson 6, b. ...., Still living
married .....
Thelma .....
Martin Tillotson 6, b. ...., Still living
married .....
"Mickey"....., b. ....
Child: - Penny Ann Tillotson 7, b. ....
Harriet Tillotson 6, b. ... d. died in infancy

James G. Hicks 5, b. ... Still living in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.
married .....
Ola Spinks, b. ....
Children:
George Hicks 6, b. ... d. ....
Gertrude Hicks 6, b. ....
married .....
Clyde Harris, b. ...
Children:
Margie Harris 7, b. ...
Sam Harris 7, b. .....

John Dale Hicks 5, b. .... d. ....
married .....
Lulu Donnellson, b. .....
Children:
Leonard Hicks 6, b. ....
married ...
.....
No Issue
Virginia Hicks 6, b. ....
married .....
Orville Minnear, b. ....
No Issue

Mary E. Hicks 5, b. ..... Still Living
married .....
Joe McClellan, b. ....
Child:
Joe McClellan 6, b. .....
married 1st .....
Mary Ellen ....., b. ...
Children:
Joe Lee McClellan 7, b. ...
Ivan McClellan 7, b. ...
married 2nd .....
Ann ....., b. ...
No Children

Wesley Hicks 5, b. ... d. ... Buried at Hicks Cemetery, Perrysville, Ind.
Daniel Arthur Hicks 5, b. Sept. 29, 1867, Still Living in Perrysville, Ind. at old Homestead
married Sept. 29, 1918
Eva Goff, b. Oct. 24, 1886, Still Living
Children:
Jene Hicks 6, b. April 24, 1921
married .....
Pearl Prather, b. ...
Children:
Curtis Dean Hicks 7, b. Jan. 30, 1945
Danny Narell Hicks 7, b. Feb. 5, 1946
David Jene Hicks 7, b. Jan. 4, 1950
Jeneil Hicks 7, b. July 26, 1951
Stephen Richard Hicks 7, b. Jan. 4, 1954
Ray Curtis Hicks 6, b. Oct. 22, 1923
married
Betty Bales, b. .....
Children:
Ellen Kay Hicks 7, b. May 12, 1956
Carl Dean Hicks 6, b. Feb. 1, 1926, Still Living and farms the old homestead farm.
married .....
Delores Rick, b. March 25, 1927
Children:
Sherlyn Esther Hicks 7, b. March 2, 1950
Larry Edwin Hicks 7, b. Nov. 10, 1952
Randall Richard Hicks 7, b. Sept. 6, 1957

Frances Gertrude Hicks 5, b. May 10, 1889, Still Living at Gem Village, Bayfield, Colorado
married .....
Robert George, b. ...
Child:
Esther George 6, b. ....
married .....
Cal A. Hyde, b. ....
Children: 5

Jane Hicks 5, b. May 27, 1892, d. Jan. 1[illegible], 1959
married 1st .....
Fred Coffing, b. ... Still Living
Child: James Coffing 6, b. ....
married 1st .....
Mary Ellen McDermott, b. ...
No Children
married 2nd .....
Norma ....., b. ... (2 step-sons)
married 2nd. Aug. 4, 1955
Paul Moffitt, b. .... Still Living

Harriet I. Hicks 4, b. May 10, 1844 d. Aug. 29, 1926
married June 26, 1873
John Warrington Dale, b. Jan. 15, 1842 d. Jan. 14, 1933

Children:

Elizabeth Dale 5
Georgia Dale 5, b. Aug. 13, 1878 d. Sept. 3, 1956- unmarried
Nelle Dale 5
Katie Dale 5, b. .... d. died in childhood

Elizabeth Dale 5, b. Dec. 23, 1874, d. July 29, 1956
married February 24, 1904
Charles Edward Wilkinson, b. Oct. 22, 1869 d. Aug. 14, 1952
Children:
John Dale Wilkinson 6, b. Jan. 15, 1906, Still Living
married August 14, 1937
Louise Dobbins, b. April 26, 1911, Still Living
Children:
William Charles Wilkinson, 7, b. May 25, 1938
John Dale Wilkinson 7, b. May 16, 1940
Susanne Louise Wilkinson 7, b. April 7, 1948
Mary Elizabeth (Betty) Wilkinson 7, b. June 18, 1908
married September 7, 1935
Donald G. Blankenburg, b. Jan. 17, 1904
Children (by Adoption)
Thomas Edward Blankenburg, b. July 5, 1944
Mary Anne Blankenburg, b. August 15, 1948
Margaret Wilkinson 6, b. Sept. 16, 1910, Still Living
at Danville, Illinois
married October 21, 1939
Lawrence Parr Birch, b. May 20, 1912
No Issue

Nelle Dale 5, b. Sept. 21, 1881, Still Living
married Oct. 15, 1902
Charles G. Campbell, b. Nov. 9, 1876, Still Living
Children:
Harriette Campbell 6, b. Dec. 26, 1905, Still Living
married April 8, 1950
Charles Bellavia, b. Oct. 28, 1916
No Issue

Katherine Campbell 6, b. Dec. 1, 1909, Still Living
married Oct. 28, 1933
Kenneth Howrey, b. July 7, 1908, Still Living
Children:
    Marian Kay Howrey 7, b. May 28, 1939
    Suzanne Howrey 7, b. June 28, 1942
Marian Campbell 6, b. March 3, 1911, Still Living
married Aug. 22, 1936
John Sheehan, b. Dec. 3, 1907, Still Living
No Issue
Jean Campbell 6, b. Nov. 14, 1915, Still Living
married Oct. 28, 1939
William Gallaher, b. Aug. 25, 1916, Still Living
Children:
    Bruce Gallaher 7, b. Sept. 3, 1944
    Julie Gallaher 7, b. May 8, 1948
Charles Dale Campbell 6, b. Nov. 5, 1917, Still Living
married 1st 1938
Florence Baker, b. March 12, 1917
Children:
    Sally Campbell 7, b. Feb. 4, 1939
    Patty Campbell 7, b. Feb. 2, 1940
married 2nd. May 15, 1948
Margaret Humphries, b. July 6, 1919
Children:
    Nancy Campbell 7, b. July 4, 1949
    John Dale Campbell 7, b. Aug. 5, 1952

COPY OF ELIZABETH DALE WILKINSON'S D. A. R. PAPER

State - Illinois
City - Danville
Name of Chapter - Governor Bradford

National Number 65815
Mrs. Elizabeth Dale Wilkinson
Wife of Dr. Charles E. Wilkinson
1611 N. Vermilion Street

Descendant of

Nathan Hicks, patriot of Rehoboth, Mass.
The undersigned have investigated and approved the applicant and her application.

_____19__
Minnie Fisher Blose
Chapter Regent

Application and duplicate received by National Society, March 20, 1908.
Application examined and approved April 1, 1908.

Belle Merrill Draper,
Registrar General

Accepted by the National Board of Management April 18, 1908

Elizabeth F. Pierce
Recording Secretary General

Lineage

I, Elizabeth Dale Wilkinson, being of the age of eighteen years and upwards, hereby apply for membership in the Society by right of lineal descent in the following line from Nathan Hicks, who was born in Rehoboth, Mass. on the 20th day of April, 1762 and died in Rehoboth, Mass. on the 10th day of October, 1845. His place of residence during the Revolution was Rehoboth.

I was born in Danville, County of Vermilion, State of Illinois.

I am the daughter of John Barrington Dale, born Jan. 15, 1842, died .... and his wife, Harriet Hicks, born May 10, 1844, died ... married June 26, 1873.

The said Harriet Hicks was the daughter of George W. Hicks, born April 10, 1795, died Oct. 1, 1878 and his wife, Mary Curtis, born Feb. 26, 1803, died Feb. 7, 1868, married Sept. 7, 1823.

The said George W. Hicks was the son of Nathan Hicks born April 20, 1762, died Oct. 10, 1845 and his wife, Prudence Round, born _____, 1764, died Feb. 26, 1845, married Feb. 24, 1782.

And he, the said Nathan Hicks is the ancestor who assisted in establishing American Independence, while acting in the capacity of corporal of Capt. Jos. Cole's company, Col. John Jacob's Regiment Mass.

Ancestor's Services

My ancestor's services in assisting in the establishment of American Independence during the War of the Revolution were as follows:

Nathan Hicks, aged 16 years of Rehoboth, Mass. was mustered by James Leonard, Muster master to serve in the Continental Army for 9 months from the time of arrival at Fishkill, dated Taunton, June 1, 1778.

Vol. 42, pp. 227, 230 - Records of Mass. Rev. War Service.

Next appears with rank of corporal on muster and payroll of Capt. Jos. Cole's Co. John Jacob's Reg. for service in Rhode Island. Enlisted July 6, 1778, discharged January 1, 1779.

Vol. 1, p. 109 Mass. Rev. War Service Records.

He appears with rank of private on muster and pay rolls of Cap. Simeon Cole's Co. Col. Thos. Carpenter's Reg. (1st. Bristol Co.) age 16 yrs., stature 5 ft. 6 in., complexion light, hair brown, eyes blue, residence Rehoboth. Vol. 1 p. 126. - Mass. Rev. War Service Records.

Nathan Hicks was a pensioner for service in Rev. War, See also Mass. Rev. War Rolls, Vol. 7, p. 825.

He is buried in the cemetery at Rehoboth where his grave is marked by a marble shaft, bearing the inscription: Nathan Hicks, Patriot, and dates of his birth and death.

His ancestor, Thomas Hicks, five generations back came from England (London) in ship Anne in 1623.

Give below references, by volume and page, to the documentary or other authorities upon which you found your record.

Records of Mass. Rev. War Service:

Vol. 42 pp. 227, 230
Vol. 1, p. 109
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Mass. Rev. War Rolls

Vol. 7 p. 825

Give, if possible, the following data: My Revolutionary ancestor was married to: Prudence Round at Rehoboth, Mass. 1782.

	Children	
Cyrus	Dec. 15, 1872	died at 21 yrs. unmarried
Nathan	Oct. 26, 1784	Love Lee
Prudence	June 22, 1786	Charles Allen, or Allyn
Pearley	Aug. 12, 1788	
Jotham	July 27, 1789	"Cousin Cyrus, a son of Jotham"
Abner	Apr. 20, 1791	
Cynthia	Apr. 8, 1793	Cyril Peck
George	Apr. 10, 1795	Mary Curtis
Mason	Apr. 11, 1797	not married
Elias	June 2, 1799	
Daniel	June 10, 1801	married, no issue
William Royal	Jan. 26, 1804	
Lewis La Prelate	Feb. 10, 1807	Harriet - lived at old home place

The following form of acknowledgment is required:

Applicant further says that the said Nathan Hicks is the ancestor mentioned in the foregoing application, and that the statements hereinbefore set forth are true to the best of her knowledge and belief.

Signature of Applicant - Elizabeth Dale Wilkinson

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Danville, Illinois the twelfth day of March, A. D. 1908.

Oliver D. Mann
Notary Public (Seal)

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PREFACE

The history of the Taylor family makes a fascinating story of pioneer life and achievement. It is closely linked with some of the most important events and personages of American history.

Most of the records and information in the following pages were furnished by Mr. J.B. Lutz of Cheyenne, Wyoming, whose mother was a Taylor . He spent ten or more years in tracing members of the family . We are particularly indebted to him for copies of the wills of Richard Taylor and his son , Simon.

Additional historical data was taken from a pamphlet , A Sketch of the History of the Taylor Family , written by H.D. Taylor , and read by Dr. Pendleton at the Taylor Reunion at Beaver Dam , Kentucky, on September 9 , 1875 .

Later records were furnished by Miss Elvessa Taylor and include notes from old letters , old Family Bible records of births, deaths and marriages , and the first county atlas, called "Atlas Map of Vermilion County, Illinois ," published by W.R. Brink and Company in 1875 .

We are indebted also to others of the family for incidents related from their early memories.

Josephine Taylor Douglas

TAYLOR FAMILY

Richard Taylor came to Virginia from England in the "Mary Margaret " in 1608 , one year after the establishment of the Jamestown settlement. He must have been about thirty four years of age at the time, for when the Muster Roll or Census of Charles Cittie was taken in 1624 , he was fifty . He probably received a grant of land and proceeded to establish himself on it. In 1620 his wife, Dorothy , Came over on the " London Merchant." She was about seventeen years of age , and evidently came from England to Virginia to marry him . At the time of the Muster Roll she was twenty and their daughter, Mary , was then three months old . The Richard Taylor to whom we definitely trace kinship was probably a son of this first Richard Taylor .

The Richard Taylor , whose descendants we are, and his wife, Sarah , were residents of Essex County, Virginia. We know that he had two sons , Richard and Simon, and a daughter , Constance , for they were mentioned in his will, drawn March 22, 1679 , and recorded in Will Book 2 page 131 , Essex County Records . A copy of this will certified by the County Clerk of Essex County, follows.

In the name of God , Amen I Richard Taylor, being sick in body but in perfect mind and memory blessed be to God , doe ordaine this my lasy will and Testemt. as followeth, Imprimus I bequethe my soule to God who gave it, hoping in the mercies of my blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ for eternall salvation, and my body to the earth with convenient christian buriall, 2 ly. I give to my Sonne Richard and My Sonne Symon my plantation and the landthereunto belonging being two hundred acres ,

and if my Sonne Richard when he comes to age will sell unto his brother Symon his part that then his brother shall give him Five Thousand pounds of tobacco , and if not , then the land and plantation to bee equally divided , and to cast lots both of them for their chares, and I give to each of them two cows with all their increase , both male and female , and to take their choice and 3ly. I give to my daughter, Constance, seaven head of cattle , five female with all their increase both male and female and two steeres and one mare and to my Sonne Symon one mare and if any of them miscarry, betwixt this and the last of May then what of them remains to be equally divided amongst my three children .4thly. I give to my loving wife Sarah , one yearling and twenty three head of cattle , and all the rest of my estate and doe make her my sole executrix and to take herselfe all the rest of my personall estate to her, her heires Exers., Adminers., or assignes forever . 5thly. My desire is, I understanding my wife to be in a very weak condition that my loveing neighbers, John English , Peter Ellis, Edward Friar would one a week give my children advise and that they may be kept upon the plantation with my servant , and in case my wife should dié , then I appointe and ordaine my loveing friend Collo, Leroy Griffin his heirs, Exers, Adminers, assigns sole Exerc. of this ,y last will and testemt. In witness whereof I have set my name and seal this 28th of March 1678/9

Richard Taylor (Seale)

Signed and sealed in the presence of us.
John English
sign
Elizb. H. Wood

sign
Elizb _____ English

Elizb. Wood age 35 years ir thereabouts sworne saith that she did see the within testemt signe seale and publish the within to be his last will and testemt , and that he was in perfect sence and memory at the signing and publishing thereof to the best of her knowledge.

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Lucille Sherwood , Deputy Clerk
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I, Joseph B. Lutz, Cheyenne, Wyoming , certify that the above record of the will of Richard Taylor is a verbatim copy received from Lucille Sherwood, Deputy Clerk, Essex County, Virginia , November 26, 1932 .

Dated December 26 , 1932

Joseph B. Lutz

Evidently Richard Taylor was a devout God-fearing man as well as a thrifty one. He counted his wealth not in pounds and shillings, but in land, livestock and tobacco. Since the sons were to be the heads of future families, to them went the land. The daughter's portion was sufficient livestock to make a very nice dowery for her in case she married. We know that Richard Taylor appreciated harmony and good feeling among the members of his family for he made adequate provision to avoid a quarrel among his heirs.

The next in line of descent is Simon Taylor, younger son of Richard. He seems to have followed in the footsteps of his planter father , for in his will drawn August 18 , 1728 in Richmond County, Virginia he bequeathed three

of his sons each a plantation together with part of a tract of land which he held in claim (probably back toward the mountains, since his sons settled there .) Tobacco was still used as a medium of exchange . A copy of the will given below, brings to light a number of very interesting details .

In the name of God Amen This the 18th day of August one thousand seven hundred and twenty eight I , Simon Taylor of Richmond County , in the parrish of North Farnham being sick and week yett of perfect mind and memory thanks be to Almighty God for it Doe make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and forme following revoking and absolutely disannulling all the others heretofore by me made either in word or writing nothwithstanding any clause Derogatory in the same but make this to be taken for my Last Will and Testament (Viz) : First, I bequeath my Soul to God my Maker and to Jesus Christ my Redeemer there to Rest untill the Joyful day of the Resurrection when my Soul and Body shall meet again and be made partakers of the never fading joys of Immortality and my body to the earth from whence it came to be buryd by my Exrs., hereafter named and touching such Temporal Estate as the Lord hath been pleased to bestow upon me I dispose of as followeth---Imprs.: I give and bequeath to my son Jno. Taylor and the heirs of his body This plantation whereon I now live with halfe the land to it which I always was used to hold and for want of such heirs to fall to my son George and the heirs of his body and for want of such to the next heir at law-------

Item----I give and bequeath to my son William Taylor the old plantation from whence I lately removed with the other halfe of the aforesd Tract of land to him and the heirs of his body and for the want of such to fall to my son Thomas Taylor and the heirs of his body and for want of such to the next heir at Law-------

Item-----I Give and Bequeath to my son Septimus Taylor that plantation whereon Patrick Doran now lives and all the land to it which I bought with it and the heirs of his body and for the want of such to all to my son George Taylor and heirs of his body and for the want of such to the next heir at Law----

Item--- I Give and Bequeath to my daughter Sarah Jasper one thousand pounds of Tobco; to be paid to her by my exrs., hereafter named-----

Item-----I Give and Bequeath to my Granddaughter Eliza. Jasper one two year old heiffer to be paid to her as aforesd--

Item-----I give to my son Jno. Taylor the fether bed I commonly ly on togethor with the furniture belonging to it--
Item-----O Give to my son Wm. Taylor that feather bed in the old house and the furniture belonging to it--

Item-----I Give to my four sons last named the best four Iron pots I have to each one of them--

Item-----I Give the next two best feather beds to my two sons Thomas and Septimus Taylor with all that belongs to them--

Item-----I Give abd Bequeath to my son George Taylor my Negro woman named Jonney.

Item-----I make Constitute and Appoint my Sons Jno. Wm. and Septimus Taylor Exrs. ; of this my last Will and Testament to whome with my other two sons Thos and George I give all the Rest and Residue of my estate not yet named to be equally divided between the five after Debts paid. In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale the day and year first written within.

his mark
Simon--------Taylor (seale)

Sealed and published
in presence of

his mark
Robert-----Burton
her mark
Mary-------Sourlock
John Hammond

Att a Court held for Richmond County the fifth day of February 1729 This Will was proved in Open Court by the Oaths of Robert Burton and John Hammond--two of the witnesses hereto and admitted to record---

Test H. Beckwith Cl. Cur.

State of Virginia :
County of Richmond , to wit:
I , E. Carter Delano , deputy clerk of the circuit court in and for the county aforesaid , in the State of Virginia , do hereby certify that the aforegoing will of Simon Taylor bearing date on the 18th day of August 1728 is a true copy

from the records of my Court, this 20th day of October 1932. Taken from Will Book No. 5 at page 126 .
Given under my hand and seal .

E. Carter Delano, Dep. Cl.
Circuit Court, Richmond Co. Va.

The bequests of Feather beds and iron pots may sound amusing in these days of inner-spring mattresses and pressure cookers , but such things constituted the finest of the household furnishings . Anyone could cut from the native timber enough lumber to make furniture ; but a fat puffy feather bed was an accumulation of feathers from many generations of geese, and therefore highly prized . And as foundries were unknown in this country in those days, all metal utensils were brought from England and shipping was slow and expensive .

The wife of Simon Taylor was Elizabeth Lewis , a woman of dignity and position among her neighbors , and of special interest to us . " Abraham Lincoln was a Lee" , an article written by William E. Barton , father of Bruce Barton, for Good Housekeeping Magazine (January, 1929) contains the following paragraphs :

" Introducing the characters in the order of their appearance , the curtain rises first on Elizabeth Taylor of Richmond County, Virginia , who acquired her married name when the Virginia Taylors were all Taylors and before William Taylor changed his name and that of his descendants to ' Tayloe ' . The date is May 11, 1747 , and on that spring day Elizabeth Taylor , weak in body of ' perfect mind and memory, thanks be to Almighty God for it ' , is disclosed in the act of signing her will . She must have been nearly ninety years old when she attached her signature to that important document , and her daughters, Dorothy Crouther and Sarah Ellate , were comparatively old ladies . Both were widows, and Dorothy had lost two husbands , the first, William Lee in 1717 and the second ,

Richard Crouchor , in 1740 . To these two daughters, Elizabeth Taylor left her clothing with the provision that it should be divided equally and that Dorothy should have first choice . The estate was probably a large one and the assumption is that the needs of the daughters had already been provided for . Only one grandson was mentioned in the Will , though doughty old Elizabeth Taylor had at least four . That one grandson was William Lee, son of Dorothy and her first husband . Let us remember his name and that he was alive and hearty , May 11, 1747 when his grandmother signed her will . His father had died thirty years before and he, himself had children , as we shall presently see.

And now let us examine the country in which all this occurred.

The northern end of the ' northern neck ' of Virginia occupying a space of about thirty five miles from northwest to southeast and with an average width of not more than fifteen miles between the Rappahanock and the Potomac , gave to the nation more famous men than any other spot of equal area in the United States . There lived the Carters, the Fauntleroys , the Corbins , the Mountjoys , the Taylor-Taylee family , the Wormleys , the Lees and the Wa shingtons. This community was a remarkable one , and, having to this day no railroad and being pent in by deep and tidal rivers, it had its choice of travel by boat or by roads through the woods . To an unusual extent , its inhabitants knew their neighbors , and everyone was related to everyone also on the same social level . It is much more than a possibility that our old friend Elizabeth Taylor rode over and congratulated Mary Ball Washington when little George was born in 1732 . The Balls lived southeasterly from the Taylors . They all knew each other . For a time they were all in the same parish , and when later and the parish was divided , the same minister conducted services in both parishes , performed all the marriages and baptized all the babies.

In the next few paragraphs , Mr. Barton discovers the hanks family living in close contact to the Lees , and traces the Hanks line down to Abraham Lincoln . There again he takes up the thread of the story :

"Let us go back again to the grand old lady Elizabeth Taylorwhom we found at the beginning of our story signing her will . We remember that she had two daughters, and that one of them, Dorothy, married a man named William Lee and had by this marriage a son named William, who was the only grandson mentioned in the will . He was appointed

her executor and her residuary legatee . His four children were likewise the only great-grandchildren named in the old lady's will . To her great-granddaughter, Betty Lee, she left her bed-rug blanket , three pairs of sheets, her prayer book , one cow and calf, one ewe and one lamb, one pewter basin , her Great Trunk , her long handled pot ladle and frying pan , her little salt-collar , and her looking-glass . Betty was her name-sake and fared best in the old lady's Will .

To William Lee's other two daughters , Ann and Sarah , she gave each a cow and calf , a ewe and lamb , a small trunk and a pewter basin .

To William Lee's son, Richard Lee , she bequeathed her Great Chest, and evidently there was considerable estate which William Lee inherited as residuary legatee.

William Lee died in 1764, seventeen years after the death of his grandmother . In all these seventeen years he had not finally settled her estate . If he had done so, we might never have come into possession of the interesting information which connects Lincoln with the Lees. As it was , each of William Lee's three living grandchildren (Sarah apparently had died) was mentioned in the settlement of William's own estate as entitled to sums still due them under the will of their great-grandmother, Elizabeth Taylor . To Richard Lee , one of the grandchildren, was payable four shillings . Betsy Lee and Ann Lee did not receive their inheritances directly : It was paid for them to their husbands, who are named in the accounting of the administrators , Thomas Hanks and Joseph Hanks. These two young men, cousins, married the two Lee girls as we discover through these ancient wills and reports to the probate court and probably never would have discovered otherwise, and Ann Lee, by her marriage to Joseph Hanks, became President Lincoln's great-grandmother ."

These very interesting paragraphs reveal a number of things, one of which is the High social position held by the family . Another is the fact that Elizabeth Taylor had two daughters , Dorothy and Sarah , while her husband Simon names only one, Sarah, in his will . Also he mentions no bequest of his wife . Jusging from these facts and the fact that, at the age of ninety, Elizabeth had a considerable estate to dispose of, it would seem that she

had been married previously and that Dorothy was her daughter by this former marriage . From the tone of the opening paragraph of Simon Taylor's will it would seem that there might have been some family friction perhaps over including this step-daughter, Dorothy, among his heirs .

But the most important fact derived from these paragraphs is that, in doughty old dame Elizabeth , we and Abraham Lincoln have a common ancestor .

John Taylor, eldest son of Simon and Elizabeth , is the one whose line we follow . Since he was a resident of Rappahanock County in the Blue Ridge Mountains, we infer that he was of an adventurous nature , not content to remain a planter on the fertile land of the coastal region which was his inheritance from his father , but pushed westward into new territory , possibly settling on the tract of land mentioned by Simon Taylor in his will . From the Taylor Family Tree we learn that he married Hannah Harrison. He must have loved and honored his parents for his eldest son and daughter bear their names, Simon and Elizabeth. His second son and the one in whom we are most interested , bore his mother's maiden name, Harrison, and the youngest son was given the well-known family name of Richard . John Taylor is reported to have been Judge Advocate of the Armies of Virginia .

Under " Harrison Family "

"To have been employed as Clerk of the Council indicates

that Harrison the Emigrant had education and ability , thus his acquaintance in Colony of Virginia ."

A number of planters from Somers Island (now Bermudas) petitioned Parliament in England June 4, 1628 , of which Ben Harrison was one of the planters , that over six years had brought their small means in tobacco which had lain in the custom house four months under a higher duty than it would yield , were in great necessity , some having been arrested for their board , and praying to have their tobacco by bills of store for the present year; all signatures and names written by same hand so could not be compared with Clerk of the Virginia Council. The tobacco was released. Ben Harrison petitioned Captain September 20, 1629 for the Virginia Colony . On March 15, 1633-4 in a certified copy of Abraham Proisey's will , Ben Harrison signed it as Clerk-Con. Virginia.

There were no wills of Harrisons in Bermuda prior to 1600 and no Benjamin Harrison will afterwards.

Benjamin Harrison --"Berkeley" married Mary---he had two sons Benjamin Harrison and Peter Harrison . Later Mary married Benjamin Sidway. A patent dated October 9, 1649 states that 600 acres were granted to Benjamin Harrison (dec'd March 21, 1643) were due to Benjamin Jr. "as his son and heir" . Peter died before middle age and is not mentioned in the will of his mother Mary Sidway dated March 1, 1687-8 . Quoted from the will--"I give to my Granddaughter Hannah Harrison the horse colt that sucks on the black mare ," the rest to my sons Benjamin Harrison and Thomas Sidway . Her will was proved May 29, 1688.

The following are notes of Miss Elvessa Taylor from "The Harrison Family, " by C.P. Keith--1893, page 46.

In December 1634, Richard Kemp, duly commissioned secretary arrived in Bermuda , seems that Benjamin Harrison then went to Virginia from the Bermudas. The earliest acquisition of land in Virginia by the emigrant was by deed from John Davis of Kiskiake, dated July ninth in the ninth year if King Charles I. for 200 acres on Wa rrosquicake Creek , which in a patent for it dated July 7, 1635 was said to be in the tenure of Thomas Jordan. Other

patents followed , but "Berkeley " and "Brandon ", the celebrated seats of the family on the James River, were acquired by later generations . " Brandon" as far as I can tell by the emigrant's son, "Berkeley " by the first Harrison who may have inherited it through the maternal line . The operation of a will probably made the emigrants son a richer man than if he had been a mere planter .

Benjamin of " Berkeley " was rich independently of his father, in whose lifetime he died possessed of large tracts of land .

The first Harrison appears to have left but two children surviving him , Benjamin and Peter, both by his wife, Mary, who later married Benjamin Sidway ; and as in a patent , dated Oct. 9, 1649 , it is recited that 500 acres granted to Benjamin Harrison who died March 21, 1643, were due to Benjamin Jr. as his " son and heir." We conclude that the law of primogeniture being in force, that Benjamin was the elder son, and that property belonging to Peter in his minority was not inherited but devised to him, probably by his father whose will has not been found.

On January 16, 1652, Benjamin Sidway, by order of court, conveyed certain land belonging to Peter Harrison, orphan of Benjamin Harrison. " In a patent dated 1655 , quoted by the 'Critic ' published in Richmond, certain lands is said to adjoin that of Peter Harrison, son of Benjamin

Harrison, deceased , and son-in-law (step-son) of Captain Sidway .

In the will of Mary Sidway, as before mentioned she gave a horse to her granddaughter and a colt--this child was Hannah Harrison . Item in the will: "I give and bequeath unto John Kersey one yearling hepher; and for the rest of my estate, my will is, after my just debts are paid, that it be equally divided between my two sons Benjamin Harrison and Thomas Sidway. The will was witnessed by Lyddeia Norwood and Samuel Alsebrook , who proved it on May 29, 1688.

From H.D. Taylor's " Historical Sketch " we take the following interesting facts :

"John Taylor died without leaving a will, and under the feudal law of the age, the oldest son took the property which was said to be large , and left Harrison shareless. Instead if lying around a lackey and a pensioner on his brother , he boldly struck out for the frontier village, where he took up the trade of house carpenter . He located near the village of Winchester . Here it was that he evinced the only known instance of ill-temper and ungovernable rage . A British recruiting officer located at that place took a fancy to him and often tried to induce him to become a soldier, but all in vain. It was this officer's practice to gather a crowd about the tavern of nights, and drink and carouse until someone became so drunk and insensible that he either took the bounty, or had it slipped into his pocket and was then forced into the ranks as a soldier. As young Taylor was strictly temperate, he never could be caught in this way; but one night after a hard day's labor , he had taken his seat in a quiet, retired corner and fell asleep . The officer, observing this, slipped the bounty into his pocket, and awaited until his supposed victim awoke, and then blandly addressed him, remarked that it was time that they should go home to the barracks. Taylor looked at him with astonishment and asked what he meant; the officer, who had formed an incorrect idea of his man, with a haughty air informed him that javing taken the bounty , he was now qa soldier of King George and the barracks was his proper home. Taylor denied ever taking the bounty, when the officer haughtily informed him and asked him how he could deny it when he had King George's coin in his pocket . At the word, pocket, the youth suddenly fan his hand into

his, grasped the coin and threw it with his utmost strength at the head of the officer, and flew into him with all the venom of an enraged tiger , but was caught and held by his friends , whilst the King's representative beat a hasty retreat and gave his recruit a wide berth ever afterwards.

It was not long until he married Miss Jane Curlot and settled far back in the woods, where with a single horse, he commenced clearing and cultivating the forest. This horse had to be bolled and turned to the range at night and hunted up again in the morning. Taylor, like all frontiersmen , carried his gun when he went to the woods, and one morning shot a deer just as he came up with his horse. He had just commenced reloading his gun as he heard a turkey gobble, and then another and another, until they nearly formed a ring around him; he at once comprehended danger, turned his horses head toward home , struck it a blow and then crept off in another direction through the undergrowth, until he thought himself entirely outside of the gobbling ring, and then he made his way home with the utmost speed and had barely arrived when a messenger announced an Indian raid upon an adjoining settlement. The horse, in passing through the gobbling ring had been greatly alarmed by the redskins, and made his way home, where he stood ready to bear the young wife and husband to the nearest fort. "

Another interesting incident might here be mentioned connecting George Washington with our story . While living with his brother, Lawrence, Washington was defeated in an election for the House of Burgesses at Williamsburg. Previously , he had taken a company of men to Winchester, Frederick County to put down an Indian uprising. Being well known in that vicinity , he returned to Winchester where he was evidently quite popular among the settlers, and from there was sent as a representative to the House of Burgesses.

From another source, we learn that " it is probable that Harrison Taylor was a Continental soldier--at least so tradition teacher---"

As the country improved, Harrison Taylor built a mill on Little North River , a stream in Frederick County, Virginia , by which the main road passes leading from the East across the Alleghany Mountains to the great West . Here he raised a large family , bore the reputation of a peaceable , quiet citizen and an honest miller. His reputation for honesty spread throughout the new country and he became known by many as " honest old Taylor at the mill ." His wife shared with him the qualities of honest integrity and unbounded benevolence , but otherwise they were as unlike as it was possible to be . Yet this seemed to strengthen the bonds of mutual affection between them .

Jane Curlet Taylor , demonstrative, possessed of powerful will, of strong sense , abounding in wit and anecdote , and of almost infallible memory, was ever remarkable for her great social qualities . She was ever ready to relieve the sick and suffering , no matter what their condition in life . Dying mothers would often bequest that their children be left in her care , and in this way her house became almost an orphan asylum during the ravages of the Revolutionary War . It is said that at times , she would have as high as thirty off children dependent upon her for food and raiment . She, too, was the principal surgeon and physician of the backwoods settlement . With her lancet ready in her pocket , she was always ready to replace dislocated limbs, set broken bones , lance or bleed as required, with the steady nerves

of a hospital surgeon , although the wail of a feeble infant or a tale of suffering or sorrow would at all times bring tears to her eyes.

By the most untiring care and industry, these old people acquired property and raised a family of eight sons and four daughters . Several of these sons had visited Kentucky , and from their representations of the country, the old folks were induced to sell out and remove to Ohio County, Kentucky , where all the sons and the three daughters finally settled . Their last days were spent in the home of their son, Thomas , where they died and were buried side by side in the family graveyard.

Their oldest daughter , Elizabeth , did in Virginia. Richard , the eldest son married twice and had a large family . Thomas, the second son became a Methodist minister . Harrison, the third son , is the one who our interest follows and we shall hear more of him later . The fourth son, William, became a propsperous farmer and distinguished himself by building the first brick residence in the county . John, the fifth son, died about middle age , and Septimus , the sixth son, died early in life . Simon and Joseph, the youngest sons, thought Kentucky soil too poor and moved west . Hannah married Samuel Brown , living and dying in Ohio County, Kentucky . Margaret married James Harsha and moved to Illinois and Jane married Levi Pigman, going with him to Ohio.

The second Harrison Taylor is spoken of as a man who

was " born without fear and who died without reproach." From his Virginia home he made many trips to Kentucky traveling through the wilderness alone . The new country appealed to him and he decided to make his home there. In Virginia , he married Elizabeth Allen , and together they went into Kentucky and made a home in Ohio County . There they raised a family of eight children : namely , John Allen , Jane (Mrs. John Wallace) , Ann Pollock, who married Reverend Alexander Downey , Thomas Alfred , Cynthia (Mrs. John Lemon) , Rachael (Mrs. John E. Johnson) , Washington and Harrison . One daughter Elizabeth , died at the age of six years .

Harrison Taylor, the second , was a plain, simple- hearted man. His house for years was the headquarters of land claimants who came to the county to look after their lands. His thorough knowledge of the country rendered his services highly important , and in this way he often spent days and weeks , not only in entertaining them , but in showing them their lands also, for which his old Virginia ideas of hospitality would not allow him to charge a cent .

There was an extraordinary trait in his character . Although remarkable from childhood for his fearless courage, and although served as Justice of the Peace and Sheriff in this chaotic state of society , he was an extensive trader and served as wagon master to the army in Hopkins Campaign, yet he was never known to have had a fight or a personal difficulty with anyone . He and his brother Joseph served

in the United States Army in the war of this country with England commencing in 1812 , and took part in the battle of Tippecanoe under General Harrison . Harrison Taylor must have told his children of his trip to Indiana and something of the opportunities there, for one of his sons, Thomas Alfred , later went there for a number of years .

Harrison Taylor spent the rest of his years in Kentucky and is buried beside his wife in Hartford Cemetery .

Following are true and correct wills of Harrison Taylor Sr. and Harrison Taylor, Jr.

In the name of God Amen , I Harrison Taylor , Sr. of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the County of Ohio being sick in body but sound and of disposing mind and memory and calling to mind the mortability of man do make and constitute this my last will and testament in manner and form following viz:

1st I commend my soul unto the hands of Almighty God from whome I received it and I commit my body to the earth to be buryed in a decent and christian like manner . In the first place as to what property I am possessed of I give and bequeath to my true and lawful wife Joan one third part of all my real and personal estate during her natural life and also I give unto her my Malotto Woman called Tholatte and her son Geams during her servitude and the Boys till he is twenty five years old and then to be free and provided for Tholatte should have any more children in the trm of her servitude, they shall be free at the age of twentyfive years and after the death of my wife if ther be any time remaining of the said negroes they are to be hired out tile free and the money arising therefrom to aplied as folowes viz: after my funeral charges is paid and all my just debts I give and bequeath to my son, Richard , one dolar having received his part I tem(Item) giv and bequth to my son Thomas five dollars in full of all my real and personal estate I give and bequth unto my son William ten dollar he having received part of my estate I give to my son Simon one dollar he having received part of my Estate- I giv and bequeth unto my son in law Samuel Brown one dollar he having received part of my estate I giv and bequeth unt my son in law Geams Harph (Harsha) thirty dollars in full of all my real and personal estate I will and bequeth unto my sone Septimus one dollar he having received part of my estate I also

will that on condition that my son Richard Taylor calls on my Executors for to discharge a certain bond giving I believe for forty five pound which I gave him to stand in security for said, Septimus on condition he woul lift a bond of Septimus in the hands of a certain coleb seal in virgin of said Septimus do not discharge it that he pay it without intrest thereon to my estate I allso ordain and will that my plantation on which I now liv witt all my stock if every kined with all my moveable furniture household and farming utentals and all my property with all my outstanding debts be disposed of at the dis cretion of my Executor either at public or privit sale as they may deem it best in can (case) I do not sell it in my lifetime, and after the payment of my lawful wife and trust dept with the abov leggseys already mentioned and demised the balance whatever may remain to be divided between my four children viz : Harrison John Joseph and Joan Pigman in manner and form following Joseph is to have two parts that is to say Joseph two equal shairs with the others and the other three Harrison John and Joan to be equal I also will and ordain that my Malotto man Stephen he lived out the balance of his time that he hat yo to serve and the money apply to the benefits of the above legatees as all redy directly Lastly I will and ordain that my son Thomas and my son Harrison to Execute this my last will and testament and do hearby revoke and disannoll and each and every of my former will and declare this to be my last will and testament as given under my hand and seal this twelft day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eleven in presence of

Deaver Barnes X
Thos Taylor

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Harrison X Taylor SEAL

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Chio County as December County Court 1811

The foregoing last will and testament of Harrison Taylor deceased was exhibited in court and proved by the oaths of Thomas Taylor and John Howel and Deaver Barnes subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and thereupon Harrison Taylor one of the Executors named in said will came unto court and having taken the oath required by law and with Thomas Taylor Joseph Taylor and John Taylor his security entered into court in the penalty of $5000. Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate thereof in due form .

Att Ch Henerson Clark

State of Kentucky

SCT

County of Ohio

I, Martin Tichenor , Clerk of the Ohio County Court , do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of same which is of record in Will Book A. Page 68

Give under my hand this 18 day of November , 1953.

Martin Tichenor , COCC
By Kathryn Nance , D.C.

The last will and testament of Harrison Taylor, Jr. in the name of God Amen being of sound mind but weak in Body and knowing the undertainty of life do think proper to ordain and publish this my last will and testament and do give and bequeath my estate in the following manner towit 1st I wish all my real and personal estate of every descrip tion ot be vested in my two executors hereafter named to be sold or disposed of in any manner or any part either real or personal which they may think proper for the discharge of my debts and in case they sell any of the real estate my will is to vest them with the power of conveying the same to the purchaser or purchasers . 2nd It is my will that Molly my oldest negro woman should serve as a slave for seven years from my decease and for that time to be disposed of as my executors think proper but at the expiration of the seven years I will and give to her, her freedom. 3rd. I will and bequeath to each of my sons one hundred dollars a piece and then on a division of my estate among my children my sons each to have equal shares , with my daughters exclusive of the one hundred dollars aforesaid . 4th I do nominate and appoint my brother Rich d Taylor and my son John A. Taylor Executors of this my last will and testament to dispose of my estate as afore d It is my intention to vest my estate in the Executors only to discharge the debts and settle the same and in case they should disagree in my particular cause on point I give them power of choosing an impire to which a majority of the three shall rule

Signed Sealed and Published by me as my last will and testament this 10th day of November 1821 .

In presence of
Dillis Dyer
Benj. Smith James Harsha

Harrison Taylor

Ohio County ss December County Court 1821

The foregoing last will and testament of Harrison Taylor Dec'd was exhibited in court and proved by the oaths of Benjamin Sith and James Harsha two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and thereupon Richard Taylor and John A. Taylor the Executors named in said will came into court and having taken the oath required by law and with Thomas Taylor James Harsha Richard Stevens Harrison Taylor and John James under their security executed bond in the penalty of $7000 conditioned as the law directs a certificate of the probate thereof is grand (granted) then in the due form .

Attest Ch. Henderson Clk.

STATE OF KENTUCKY

SCT.

COUNTY OF OHIO

I, Martin Tichenor , Clerk of the Ohio County Court, do certify the above to be a true and correct copy of same which is of record in Will Book A . Page 86

Given under my hand and seal this 18 day of November, 1953.

Martin Tichenor , C.O.C.C.

By Kathryn Monce D.C.

" Thomas A. Taylor was born in Ohio County , Kentucky in 1805 . His parents died when he was about fourteen years old and he went to live with Jack Allen, Esq., a brother of his mother , with whom he remained for several years , learning during that time the 'tanner's trade '. Sometime after arriving at the estate of manhood , he went to Tippecanoe County , Indiana , " Riding horseback to Lafayette , he stopped at the Buckhorn Tavern , an inn run by Judge William Allen, who had several daughters. One of those, Ivea, young Thomas Taylor married .

An interesting incident is told of the meeting of these two . Shortly after his arrival in Tippecanoe County , Thomas Taylor was one of a party of young people who were spending the evening with games and merriment . In order to choose partners for one of the games , the names of the gentlemen were written on slips of paper and placed in a hat to be drawn out by the ladies . Since Mr. Taylor's name was not known , the word "Stranger " was written on his slip . Miss Ivea Allen drew this slip from the hat and so met the "stranger ." They must have enjoyed each other's company for in September, 1830, about a year after that time , they were married near Lafayette , Indiana. There he worked at his business of tanning for twenty years, thus laying the foundation for his future prosperity . Their seven children were born in Romney, Indiana, 3 miles from Lafayette

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Atlas Map of Vermilion County, Illinois W.R. Brink& Co.1875

Margaret, their eldest daughter, later became the wife of John Harvey, Sudan and Serepta married brothers, Francis and James Daugherty , Elizabeth became the wife of John Newlin , and Cynthia married Robert Smith . There were three sons : William Harrison , who died in infancy, Alvin Allen and Thomas Alfred .

In the spring of 1853, Thomas Taylor, the elder, buying property in Vermilion County, Illinois left Indiana. There he engaged in farming , stock raising , wood producing . During the years he accumulated property , some five hundred acres in all , and prepared to spend the remainder of his days in quiet and independence.

He not only gave each of his children a substantial inheritance , but alo a good education and an early and thorough training in religion and morals. The children, with one exception , followed the example of the parents in maintaining fellowship with Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Mr Taylor was a staunch member of that church, always attending Presbytery . His long Prince Albert double breasted coat and high silk hat were always kept especially for these occasions and never worn for frivolity or light-minded past times . He and his family were very active in old Mount Vernon Church , a quaint old-fashioned structure with its surrounding graveyard, situated west of Catlin, Illinois . The family always had prayers morning and evening----------long morning prayers, which the father

often ended rather abruptly with --------"-Amen.-------- Boys, get your horses ." His youngest son, Tom, tired from the day's activities, often fell asleep as he knelt beside his chair during the evening hour of family worship, and he had to be shaken awake before he could be sent off to bed . The father was stern and firm in disposition and discipline and young Tomofton "felt the toe of his boot. "

The home of this good man was often the stopping place for movers, pioneers going west to settle . The well, which served to water Mr. Taylor's abundant flocks of sheep , was placed outside the fence along the roadside for the benefit of all who might come by . Travelers along the road often camped nearby , buying eggs, milk and other supplies at the farm . Here Thomas Taylor lived , serving God and his fellow-man until his death .

In July 1876 , accompanied by his son Tom , he traveled by train to Philadelphia to attend the Centennial celebration honoring the 100th anniversary of the founding of our nation . While in Philadelphia , they visited Wannamaker's Store--this was first founded by John Wannamaker , well known merchant . Upon learning of the visitors from the " far West " (as Illinois was thought of in that time) , Mr. Wannamaker invited young Mr. Taylor into his office to talk with him about his home section of the country, and upon his departure presented him with a pair of silk hose to take as a gift to his wife.

Their return trip was made by boat up the Hudson River from New York City to Albany thence to Niagara Falls, and from Buffalo by boat to Chicago, Illinois . On the boat trip the elder Mr. Taylor was stricken ill with a form of dysentery and fever . The Ship's doctor attended him, but the illness persisted . He never quite recovered and his death occurred in September 1876, within a short time of his return home.

The second Thomas Alfred Taylor was born in Tippecanoe County, Indiana . He was five years old when the family moved to Illinois and settled on the farm west of Catlin. Here he received the farm training which stood him in good stead when, years later, he owned a section of land in Vermilion County . He attended old Taylor School and later was sent away for the advantages of higher education. He attended one year (the last of the institutions existence) at Mt. Zion Academy , Macomb, Illinois. The next year, 1865, he entered the New,Lincoln University, also a Cumberland Presbyterian School just opening its doors. (This school was later moved to Decatur and is now known as James Milliken University.) At Lincoln , young Tom Taylor was elected the first president of the Athenian Society , a literary organization for men . (Later his son Joel was a member of the same society and his daughter, Elvessa, belonged to the sister society, the Amicicean.) Reading and spelling were always his forte. In later years he loved to read and tell stories to his grandchildren .

In 1869, Tom Taylor married Mary Catherine Acree, the daughter of Joel and Elvessa Acree whose farm lay just west of the Taylor homestead . Though the young people had attended school together , the two families had never " neighbored"much as they differed in religion . Mr. Acree was a trustee of the Christian Church , a"Campbell-ite " , and neither family was too happy over the impending marriage . However, the young people persisted in the face of family opposition . Mary Acree had attended school at the Old Red Seminary in Danville , and she taught school for one year . With the money she earned, she bought her trousseau . She was 21 when they were married.

For a number of years Mr. Taylor taught school----- Pleasant View , Fairview, Shiloh---names well known in Vermilion County rural education . His special pleasure were the Friday afternoon programs-----readings, orations, dramatizations, contests . Some of the amusing experiences from the years of his teaching became his favorite stories to tell in later years .

Some of his favorite stories might be worth repeating here.

As a boy he was sent to the " timber " to cut saplings for firewood . Riding on the sled load of wood on the return trip Tom began to feel the penetrating cold. He set fire to a dew small twigs hoping to warm his hands, but instead the small embers slipped between the bigger pieces and soon he had suwh a fire going that only qiock work

with great handfuls of snow succeeded in keeping the whole load and the sled, also, from going up in flames.

On another occasion he was sent out to sow wheat . Sowing wheat broadcast took time , and as the day wore on, Tom began to tire of his job and to think longingly of his favorite fishing hole . He decided that no one could tell by looking over the ground whether or not he had sown the wheat , and that if he could do away with the rest of the bag, he could get away sooner to go fishing . So he buried all that remained behind an old stump, thinking that it would go undetected . However , when the wheat began to sprout thickly over part of the field and not at all over the rest , and when at last his father discovered a great clump of wheat coming up all in one place near the stump , Tom's trickery was found out and he received a thrashing for his trouble.

When he was sixteen , he tried to enlist but was refused as being too young . However, he felt quite grown-up and had been enjoying attending dances around the countryside . His father discovered this and to discourage such light and frivolous pastimes took Tom's best boots and hid them . Soon another dance was planned by the Burgoyne boys who were taking care of William Hawkin's farm while he was away at the army. Tom wanted very much to go , but with no boots, his chances looked poor. He waited until the household had retired and then he slipped outside along the house to his father's bed-

room window . Knowing just where his father habitually set his boots on retiring , young Tom quietly reached through the window and borrowed his father's footgear and went to the dance , as quietly returning the boots to their proper place on his return . We assume that the elder Taylor never found out what fancy steps his boots had executed on the dance floor .

From his early teaching experiences, one stands out. At one of the Friday entertainments , adramatization of Caesar's death was the star spot on the program . Dan Davis , as Caesar , was draped in a borrowed sheet for a toga , and for the sake of realism was supplied with a pig bladder filled with poke berry juice . At the moment when the assassins fell upon him to stab him , he shouted " Et tu , Brute ! " and squeezed the bladder tied under his toga. The ensueing gush of red juice trickling down his white robe so realistically was too much for the little ones , who set up such wails of fright asto disrupt the program completely .

Mr. Taylor's great love of a good story was charactoristice . On many winter evenings , he read aloud to his household (for the hired men and girls were included ih the family circle) choosing the works of Scott, Dickens, Shakespeare, or some well known historian for his subject. All of his grandchildren remember him as a most entertaining story-teller , a favorite being " Old Mr. Post."

He was a man of good judgment and was chosen president of Lake View Hospital , acting in that capacity for twelve years

and remaining a life member of the Association . He served as a director of the First National Banks of Catlin and Oakwood , as well as holding responsible positions in other business , social and fraternal organizations . He was a 32nd degree Mason and a Knight Templar.

He was a member of the Presbyterian Church , always guided by faith in its teachings , and always active in promoting its welfare . One of the outstanding experiences of his life was going as a representative from the Bloomington Presbytery to the General Assembly in Dallas, Texas . Upon his return he carefully prepared a report of the proceedings which was typed by Rev. George E. Keithley , then the pastor of the local church, to be sent to the Presbytery . The report was acknowledged by a letter praising its thoroughness and expressing the appreciation of Presbytery for the fine work.

Mr. Taylor's enjoyment of and interest in his fellow men was unflagging . He " never knew a stranger " and was known by many people as " Uncle Tommy Taylor." The fact that he was a good conversationalist , as well as possessing an active sense of humor made it easy for him to make friends. Uncle Joe Cannon was a frequent visitor at the Taylor home .

He was a member of the Old Settler's Society , and for a number of years was a guiding light for the old Catlin Fair. It was known by that name although it was the Ver,-ilion County Fair, holding a 50 year lease on the Sandusky

property west of Catlin . In that time 49 fairs were held , drawing large crowds from miles around . Mr. Taylor's special interest were the Fourth of July Celebrations held at the Fair Grounds . Soon after the close of the Spanish American War , a special Independence Day Celebration took place . On that occasion, Mr Taylor succeeded in arranging for Battery A to attend and parade and drill as part of the afternoon's proceedings . A cannon mounted on a caisson was brought from Danville , but in order to prevent frightening the horses at the Fair Grounds , it was set up and fired behind Mr. Taylor's hedge.

After the Catlin Fair was discontinued. Mr. Taylor kept up the Fourth of July Celebration with a picnic supper for his la rge family following the fireworks display in the evening---pin wheels, cannon crackers, Roman candles, and the ever spectacular rockets , as well as sparklers and small crackers for the youngsters .

His love of having his family about him was most evident at the Christmas gatherings when those of his children and grandchildren from several miles away came Christmas Eve to join the others for the Christmas program at the church, to be followed by a huge tree and presents for all ; then all were put to bed somehow or other, scattered among the nearby aunts and uncles or sleeping three in a bed or on pallents on the floor at Grandfather's to gather again at the big house for turkey dinner and all

the fixin's Christmas Day . How longingly the youngsters watched from their seats upon the stairs while they waited for second table. And how patient Auntie Voss had to be with all the chasing in and out with wet and snowy feet after all the careful preparation and cleaning . To all of us those memories are most precious.

As we look back over the lives of our predecessors , we feel very humble and grateful for the heritage that is ours , as well as a sense of obligation to those former Taylors to carry on the traditions of firm religious faith, interest in and promotion of the best in national as well as local affairs, industry in business , and a sense of responsibility toward the weak and unfortunate . "We can pay our debt to the past by putting the future in debt to ourselves." *

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THE TAYLOR FAMILY TREE

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RICHARD TAYLOR

[D. 1624 , at the age of 50) from Kent County, England, in the " Mary Margarot " to Jamestown , Virginia in 1608. Listed in the 1624 muster as inhabitant of " College Land."

Married Dorothy -------born 1603 . Came in the"London Merchant , " in 1620 .

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* From "Compendium of American Genealogy--First Families of America ," Volume 7.

Richard Taylor came to Virginia from England in the "Mary Margaret " in 1608 . His wife, Dorothy , came in "The London Merchant " in 1620 . At the time of the Consus or Muster Roll of Charles Cittie in 1624 , Ruchard Taylor was 50 years old, his wife , 20 , and their daughter , Mary, 3 months old . This leads to the presumption that Richard Taylor was 34 when he came to Virginia , received a grant of land, and 11 or 12 years kater married a girl of seventeen, who had probably come to Virginia to marry him . The Richard Taylor below , whose ancestry we definitely trace , is believed to be the son of this first Richard, although absolute evidence is lacking . Records are said to be available tracing back to Edward III from this first Richard.

RICHARD TAYLOR

Will drawn 3-22-1678 . Proved May 1679
Will book 2 (1677-82) page 131, Essex County, Virginia Records .

1. Richard
2. Constance
3. Simon

Sarah ?

SIMON TAYLOR (b. 3-3-1674)

Will drawn 8-18-1728. Proved 2-5-1729
Will Book 5, page 128, Richmond County Virginia Records, No. Farnham Parish

1. John
2. William
3. Thomas
4. Septimus
5. George
6. Sarah

Elizabeth Lewis
Mentioned in deed 3-3-1794
Deed Book 3 page 179-180
Richmond County , Virginia
Made will 5-11-1747 at age of 90. Died 1747

John Taylor

of Rappahanock County, Va.
b. 1703, Richmond Co. Va.
d. 1740
married 1726
Hannah Harrison

1. Simon b. 3-11-1728
2. Elizabeth b. 9-26-1731
3. Harrison b. 8-11-1735
4. Richard b. 2-16-1740

Harrison Taylor

Will Book A p. 68, Hartford Co. Kentucky
b. 8-11-1735
d. 11-22-1811
Married 11-27-1759
Buried with wife, Hartford Co, Ohio Co. Ky.
Jain or Jane Curlet
b. 9-30-1741 or 9-5-1742
d. 8-5-1812

(Very distinguished ancestors.)

1. Richard b. 12-10-1760
2. Elizabeth b. 4-30-1762
3. Thomas b. 2-24-1764
4. Harrison Jr. b.12-31-1766
5. William b.1-22-1768
6. John b. 11-27-1769
7. Septimus b.2-2-1773
8. Hannah (Brown) b.1-27-1775
9. Simon b. 8-26-1777
10. Jane (Pigman) b.11-22-1779
11. Margaret (Harsha) b11-15-1781
12. Joseph b. 3-9-1784

Harrison Taylor

b. 12-31-1766
Will Book Nov. 1821-A-page 86, Hartford Co. Ky.

Elizabeth Allen

1. Cynthia (Mrs. John Lemon)
2. Washington, ancestor of Roy Taylor, Dallas, Texas
3. Rachel (Mrs. John L. Johnson)
4. Jane (Mrs. John Wallace)
5. Thomas Alfred
6. Ann (Pollock) (Mrs. A. Downey)
7. John Allen
8. Harrison
9. Elizabeth (died at age of 6)

THOMAS A. TAYLOR

b. 10-29-1805
d. 19-20-1876

Married 9-21-1830

Ivea Allen
b. 10-4-1807
d. 12-3-1893

1. Margaret Ann (Mrs. John Harvey
b. 7-1-1831
2. William Harrison
b.10-5-1833
d. 8-5-1837
3. Susan America(Mrs.FrancisDaugherty)
b. 10-1-1835
4. Seropta Jane(Mrs. James Daugherty)
b. 9-5-1837
5. Alvin Allen (
b. 12-9-1839
6. Ivea Elizabeth (Mrs. John Newlin)
b. 2-2-1845
7. Thomas Alfred
b. 4-25-1847
8. Cynthia Evaline (Mrs. Robert Smith)
b. 5-13-1851

Margaret Ann (John Harvey)

Fannie (John Nagle)

Clara (Woodleaf Carriker)

Margaret W. (Pearson)

Fred

Susan America (Frank Daugherty) 9 children

Milton

Lewis

Mark

Alvin

Jim Alfred

Etta

Lissie

Lilly (Erwin) Mother of five missionaries

John Mark Erwin (Meshed, Persia)
Lewis (Teacher in Shanghai, China)
Anita (Teacher " " "
Dr. Glen (med. Div. Hosp. Porto Rica--now in Decatur, Ill.

Jennie

Seropta Jane (James Daugherty) Frank and James were brothers

Emma (Jester Stearns)

Dorrance

Evaline (Pankey)

Dwight

Loyette (Redden)

Curtis Worth

Mary

Frances

Thomas Lorton--married Eliza B. Foster

Maude

Clara (Leitzbach)

Elizabeth (Fonatine)

Louise (Lloyd--Murphy)

John Lloyd

Alvin Allen (Anne Nevillle)

George (Orpha Silvers)

Frank (Vera Shroyer)

Catherine (Ira Miller)

Russell

Virginia (George Wallen

Ivea Elizabeth (John Newlin)

Temperence

Nora (Bowler Catlett)

Elizabeth-d. in childhood

Roland

Gene

Stanley

Robert

Mildred

Evaline

Lowell (Vora Seed)

John

Charlotte (Sam Pearson)

Betty (Robert Reed)

Cynthia Evaline (Robert Smith)

Taylor (Olive *****)

Kay

Allen Crittondon

Cynthia

Edwin

Boss (Macy)

Dae (Hopper)

Leslie

Helen Dae

Estil (Margaret*****)

Cynthia (died in childhood)

Corwin C. (Flossie*****)

Wanda

Marilyn

THOMAS A. TAYLOR

b. 4-25-1847
d. 5-28-1924

Married 3-11-1869

Mary Catherine Acree
b. 11-12-1848
d. 10-27-1927

) 1. Clemmer Ames (Mrs. Chas. Androws)
b. 12-20-1869
d. 5-12-1946

) 2. Gail Hamilton
b. 5-15-1871
d. 4-10-1947

) 3. Elvessa Ivea
b. 4-11-1873
d. 11-15-1955

) 4. Gatha
b. 4-20-1874
d. 8-23-1874

) 5. Dulca
b. 4-20-1874
d. 9-21-1874

) 6. Jool
b. 6-28-1875
d. 3-2-1942

) 7. Benjamin Braxton
b. 1-4-1878
d. 2-6-1950

) 8. Robert Brown
b. 7-14-1880
d. 10-11-1946

) 9. Margaret Delay (Mrs. C. Willis Wherry)
b. 9-14-1882
d. 8-31-1928

)10. Lois Martha (Mrs. Lawrence Church)
b. 7-23-1884
d. 4-1-1955

)11. Thomas Whittier
b. 8-9-1886
d. 11-9- 1955

)12. Mary Catherine (Mrs. Herman E. Douglas)
b. 7-4-1888
d. 8-16-1955

)13. Harriett May (Mrs. Conrad Howard)
b. 5-31-1893

)14. Ruth Jane
b. 6-1-1893
d. 10-6-1893

1. Clommer Ames Taylor

b. 12-20-1869

d. 5-12-1946

Married

Charles Clinton Andrews

b. 6-14-1868

d. 7-4-1945

Mary Aldyth

b. 4-28-1897

Married Leslie Thomas

Jean

Frances Louise

b. 12-1-1900

Married Hubert Shutts

Charles (Buddy)

Patricia Ann

Robert Emerson

b. 9-23-1903

Married Sara Braden

Robert

Charles

Mary

Thomas Elwin

b. 11-2-1906

Married Thelma Lane

Jerry

Dewitt Harmon

b. 11-2-1906

Married Thelma Brandon

Kay

Kenneth

2. Gail Hamilton

b. 5-15-1871

d. 4-10-1947

Married 10-10-1894

Mariotta Hawkins

b. 6-28-1871

d. 7-9-1940

Hester Leone

b. 7-21-1895

Married George Rouse

Jeanette (Mrs. Wm. J. Hart)

Russell Hawkins

b. 4-14-1897

Married Martha Pratt

Wm. Pratt m. Leona Darr

Mariotta

Marilyn

Helen Marie m. John Lathrop

Thomas Alfred

b. 11-24-1899

d. 2-17-1901

Mary Etta

b. 7-1-1902

d. 5-26-1953

Married Irvin Elgin

Robert Taylor m. Myrna Spossard

Gail Lynn

Betty Mae m. John Mayrick

Margaret Duannah

b. 10-30-1906

Married Cecil McGee

Theodore-d. in childhood

Ruth

Jerry

Elizabeth Inlay

b. 8-14-1911

Married Morlyn Van Allen

John William

Elizabeth

3. Elvesma Ivea Taylor

b. 3-11-1873

d. 11-15-1955

4. Gatha

b. 4-20-1874

d. 8-23-1874

4. Dulca

b. 4-20-1874

d. 9-21-1874

6. Jool O. Taylor

b. 6-28-1875

d. 3- 2-1942

Married 9-14-1898

Carrie Boggess

b. 7-16-1875

d. 3-16-1899

Married-second - 6-15-1902

Jennie Pilkington

b. 2-2-1875

d. 8-26-1905

Byard Jool

b. 5-9-1903

Married Lucille Campbell

Josephine

b. 3-5-1905

Married Norman E. Douglas - 9-7-1957

Married--third--1-14-1909

Josephine Fisher Carter

b. 2-18-1872

Helen Carter

b. 8-22-1899

Mabel Carter

b. 2-8-1902

Married Henry Crowl

Donald Fisher Taylor

b. 3-14-1910

Married Ruth Burroughs 12-12-1942

Joel Glen

John Lowell Taylor

b. 8-2-1917

Married Marjorie Montgomery

Melissa Irene

Johnny Bill

Sara Jo

7. Benjamin B. Taylor

b. 1-4-1878

d. 2-6-1950

Married 9-19-1900

Cora Irene Partlow

b. 6-11-1875

d. 2-21-1955

Josephine Taylor--adopted 1905 who married

Herman E. Douglas 9-7-1957

8. Robert Brown Taylor

b. 7-14-1880

d. 10-11-1946

Married 1-8-1905 to Myrtle M. Kelsey -b. 5-11-1881

Ralph Wilford

b. 3-22-1906

Married Helen Thomas

Dorothy Aleda

b. 1-31-1908

Married Paul D. Zook

Norman Weston

b. 5-19-1918

Married Gwen Clark

Richard Harrison

Jeffrey Robert

Diane

Emily

9. Margaret Delay Taylor

b. 9-14-1882

d. 8-31-1928

Married 9-27-1906--

Charles Willis Wherry

b. 8-29-1879

Charles Alfred

b. 4-7-1909

Married Helen Queer

Margaret Ann- m. Keith Brown--1957

Catherine Jane

Edgar Allen

b. 4-7-1909

d. 3-14-1947

Married Lavina Krisler

10. Lois Martha Taylor

b. 7-23-1884

d. 4- 1- 1955

Married 2-15-1911 --Lawrence Church b. 6-21-1883

Carl Chester Church

b. 5-27-1912

Married Dorothy Hardy

11. Thomas Whittier Taylor

b. 8-9-1886

d. 11-9-1955

Married 1-1-1910--Gertrude Witherspoon b. 9-2-1887

Thomas Howard

b. 8-22-1910

Married Viginia Bell

Jean

Virginia Ann

Buell Witherspoon

b. 8-27-1912

Married Geraldine Collins

Daniel Witherspoon

12. Mary Catherine Taylor

b. 7-4-1888

d. 8-16-1955

Married 5-17-1911

Herman E. Douglas

b. 1-11-1888

John Allen

b. 1-26-1917

Married Jane Tharp 4-19-1941

John Tharp b. 6-23-

Mary Watts b. 12-18-

Catherine Taylor b. 6-31-

13. Ruth June

b. 6-1-1893

d. 10-6-1893

14. Harriett May

b. 5-31-1893

Married 12-25-1913 - Conrad Howard b. 8-15-1889
d. 12-?-1955

Julia June

b. 12-1-1919

Married Estie McClouth

Rachel Ann

b. 8-18-1921

Married Glen Stanley

Conrad

b. April, 1956

Catherine Ann

b. May, 1958

WILLIAM SPURGEON

b. 3-20-1740

(In Essex County, England)

Married

Priscilla Robinette

b. 3-4-1740

)1.	Samuel	b. 11-6-1762
)2.	Jeremiah	b. 7-17-1764
)3.	Zephaniah	b. 11-30-1766 d. 2-15-1809
)4.	James	b. 11-26-1768
)5.	George	b. 11-26-1768 d. 12- 6-1807
)6.	Amelia	b. 9-21-1771
)7.	William	b. 5-20-1773
)8.	Catherine	b. 3-4-1776
)9.	Moses	b. 4-11-1778 d. 8- 6-1785
)10.	David	b. 5-30-1780
)11.	Susannah	b. 11-4-1783

Winchester, Ky., October, 1913

Susannah Spurgeon married Judge William Allen in Bourbon County, Kentucky. They were the parents of Grandmother Ivea Allen Taylor and are both buried in the Mount Vernon Cemetery, west of Catlin, Illinois.

David Spurgeon married Margaret Allen, a sister of Judge William Allen. They were the great grandparents of Cousin Allen Gay Jones of Winchester. They are both buried in Kentucky.

In Great Grandfather Taylor's Song Book

Farewell, loving Christians;
Time is at hand,
When we must be parted from the social band.
Our several engagements doth call us away;
Separations are needful and we must obey.
When we are parted and scattered abroad,
We pray for each other while wrestling with God,
Farewell, Loving Christians, farewell all around
If we never meet anymore till we wake underground
To meet you in Glory I'll give you my hand
Our Savior to praise in a pure social band.

" And I never will see Susie again," so said Marse David Spurgeon the day of the gib dinner given for Susannah and William Allen the day before they left Kentucky for Ohio, then to Indiana in Tippecanoe County. The above old familiar hymn was sung at the dinner.

This account was told to Elvessa Taylor , October, 1913 at Winchester, Kentucky by "White ' Lize," an old colored albino (pink eyes and light hair) woman who was about six years old at the time of the above occasion; her mother was a slave of Marse David.

THOMAS A. TAYLOR *

Thomas A. Taylor, a prominent resident of Catlin Township, is a man whose well trained, vigorous mind and progressive views place him in the front ranks of the enlightened, wide-awake agriculturists of Vermilion County. He has a large farm of nearly 600 acres, whose fertile fields , roomy substantial buildings and well ordered appearance generally, mark it as one of the best managed and choicest estates in this part of the county, and here on section 5 he has erected a handsome residence that is replete with all the modern comforts.

Our subject was born in Tippicanoe, Indiana, April25, 1847 , a son of Thomas A. and Ivea Allen Taylor, natives of Ohio County and Shelby County, Kentucky . After marriage, his parents began their wedded life in Tippecanoe County, Indiana near Lafayette , where he followed his trade, that of a tanner, living there until 1852 when they and their family came to Vermilion County, Illinois, to settle among its pioneers , taking up their abode in Catlin, Township. The father died here in September, 1876 , and an upright and honored citizen was thus lost to the community with whose highest interests his own had been identical from the first hour of his settlement here . He was a man of sincere piety and a worthy member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. His wife still survives and makes her home in Catlin Township. She is truly a good woman and a devoted member of the same church. They had eight children of whome our subject was the seventh in order of birth.

He was five years old when he accompanied his parents to Vermilion County , and the remainder of his life has since been passed here . He was given the advantages of a liberal education, obtaining the basis of it in the public schools , and then he became a student at Lincoln University in Logan County, Ill. and subsequently took an excellent course of study at Mt. Zion Academy, Macomb, Ill. his studies being of a practical character such as would be of benefit to him in his business relations and in his work . After leaving school, he devoted himself to the teaching profession for nine years , meeting with great success in that vocation and by his intelligent methods placing himself in the forefront of the best educators in this part of the country . He has resided in Catlin , and aside from Teaching has given his attention wholly to agriculture owning and managing one of the largest and finest farms in this region, as before mentioned.

Mr. Taylor frankly acknowledges that he is greatly indebted for much that is good in his life to his amiable wife to whom he was married in Catlin Twsp. March 11, 1869. She is in every respect a true Christian, possessing much intelligence and capacity, and a model housewife, and fills the prerfect measure of wife, mother, friend, than which no greater eulogy can be pronounced. In her the Christian Church finds one of its most consistent members. Mrs. Taylor's maiden name was Mary C. Acree, and she is a daughter of the late Joel and Elvessa Yount Acree, known and honored

as among the earliest settlers of Catlin Township, where he continued to reside till his death Nov. 27, 1880. The father was born in Alabama , and the mother in Shelby County, Kentucky. They married and settled in Catlin Twsp. in early pioneers times. He was a valued member of the Christian Church and a thoroughly upright man . The mother is still living in Catlin Twsp. and she is also a respected member of the Christian Church . They had two children who lived to adulthood, Mrs. Taylor being the eldest, and she was born in Catlin Twsp. Nov. 12, 1848 . Ten of the twelve children that have gladdened the happy wedded life of our subject and his wife are still with them, two having died in infancy. The names of the survivors are : Clemmer, Gailen H. Elvessa, Joel , Benjamin, Robert, Maggie, Lois, Whittier and Catherine . Our subject is prominently identified with the Republican Party and its councils . He is a member of Athelstan Commandery at Danville, Illinois.

Mr. Taylor is endowed with a keen, resolute nature, and by prompt, systematic methods and other excellent business habits , has accumulated a valuable property and is one of the moneyed men of Catlin Township. He is a man of earnest religious feelings and in him the Cumberland Presbyterian Church has one of its most active workers and influential members, he having united with it early in life and for twenty years or more he has been an Elder . He interests himself in Sunday School and has been a Superintendent .

* PORTRAIT and BIOGRAPHICAL ALBUM of Vermilion Co. Ill. Published by Chapman Bros. Chicago, Illinois 1889.

JOEL ACREE *

Mr. Acree , his father and family, arrived in this County in 1829 , and made a location in Catlin Township, coming direct from the state of Alabama . His father at once bought one hundred and thirty acres of raw land on which they immediately built a cabin , and the next season broke and fenced six acres . The succeeding year they managed to put into cultivation an additional thirty acres. Then they considered themselves in a fair way to become farmers, though living was hard and prices of all kinds of produce was very low. Corn could not be cashed at 6 ½ cents per bushel ; shoes had to be procured by home manufacture, and nearly all kinds of clothing obtained in the same manner. Milling was more difficult on account of long distances and unbridged streams , than a trip would now be (1875) to the state of New York considering our present facilities of travel and commerce. When a boy, Mr. Acree has often taken a single sack of corn on horse-back as far as ten and sometimes fifteen miles in order to obtain a little meal for immediate family use.

For a number of years after the death of his father, who died in 1835 , Mr. Acree continued to reside with his mother and the family ; filling, to the best of his ability, the position naturally devolving upon him the oldest son.

In 1848 he took unto himself a wife, the objecy of his choice being Elvess Y ount (Yunt), daughter of William and Catherine Sacra Yunt, old settlers of Catlin Township. Some of his brothers and sisters by this time were grown

up and married off . Mr. Acree bought out their interests in the home estate, the mother and the younger children continuing to reside with him on the farm . He continued afterwards to purchase interests of the heirs until he became the sole owner and proprietor, plus adding to it, until the original farm now embraces 485 acres of fine and well improved land. Besides this, he is the owner of 385 acres of valuable land in this county as well as 160 acres in Oregon County, Missouri.

Mr. Acree is to be congratulated on his past success, and it is but just to add that in a large measure he has been by the judicious help and cooperation of a noble and self-denying wife, who has not only saved her husband's hard earnings, but has materially from time to time added thereto.

Two children only are spared to them as the fruits of their happy marriage , viz: Mrs. Mary C. (Thomas A.) Taylor, and Miss Mattie , ayoung lady with them at home.

In regard to ancestry , Mr. Acree's information is somewhat limited . William, his paternal grandfather , was of English descent , and was born in either North Carolina or Virginia . He finally settled in Kentucky and there died in Wayne County after raising seven children. Elphraim, Mr. Acree's father , was raised in that state , and was there married to a Miss Mary Wann , alady of Scotch ancestry . Before moving to Alabama there were born William, Elizabeth, Jool , Ruth, Braxton , and John W. later born in Alabama. The remainder of the family are natives of Illinois . Five

are yet surviving : Mr. Acree (Joel) , Braxton, Matilda the wife of Harrison Wright , Elizabeth, the wife of Asaph Butler , and John . Prudence, formerly the wife of William Hardin, Mary A. , Melinda J. , Eveline, Emerson , Ruth, formerly the wife of James Rivens , and afterwards of John Carp er , and William, the eldest are dead.

* From Atlas Map of Vermilion County, Illinois , published by W.R. Brink and Company in 1875, belonging to Joel Acree .

ENGLISH FAMILY

John English

b. March 22, 1745

d. March 17, 1826

Married Ann (?) Christian

b. March 22, 1755

d. April 13, 1795

Children:

Hannah b. 9-23-1772
d. 1823

Abigail b. 9-18-1773
d.

Ann b. 7-8-1775
d. 10-21-1854

Mary b. 10-13-1779
d. 10-12-1844

Zephaniag B. b. 9-17-1782
d. Lost at sea , 1804

Oliver b. 6-10-1784
d. of cholera , 1836

*** Charles b. 9-9-1786
d. 11-6-1856

John b. 12-17-1789
d.

Abel b. 3-16-1791
d.

Sophia b. 4-8-1793
d. 10-31-1854

Charles English

b. 9-9-1786

d. 11-6-1856

Married Ann Wright b. 4-8-1787

d. 8-6-1875 (Perrysville, Indiana)

Children:

	Ann	b. 3-13-1811	
	Harriett Lease or Sease	b. 2-10-1812 d. 1-31-1880	Perrysville, Ind.
	Sophia	b. 4-5-1815 d.	
***	Joseph Gibson	b. 12-17-1820	Rising Sun, Ohio
	Susan Chenoweth	b. 4-27-1823 d. 11-11-1910	Perrysville, Ind.
	Christiana Martha	b. 12-3-1825 d. 1-24-1853	
	George W.	b. 4-16-1831 d.	

Joseph Gibson English

b. Rising Sun, Ohio 12-17-1820

d. Danville, Illinois 1-17-1910 (89 years)

Married : 1. Mary Hicks, daughter of George H. Hicks, b. 4-10-1795 d. 10-1-1878 and Mary Curtis Hicks b. 3-26-1802 d. 2-7-1868 . Granddaughter of Nathan Hicks.

b. 6-13-1804 (?)

d. 3-17-1864

married Amasa Ind. 10-31-1843

Children:

George Hicks English b. 8-3-1844, Perrysville, Indiana

Charles Lewis b. 7-15-1846, Perrysville, Indiana

married Mary O'Hara

Harriett Lillian b. 6-13-1848, Perrysville, Indiana

married Wm. D. Lindsay. 12-12-1872. d. 5-4-1891

Guthrie, Oklahoma

*** Irene Jane b. 7-12-1851, Perrysville, Indiana--m.

George W. Partlow. d. October 1934, Alvin, Ill.

Anna Mary b. 4-8-1854 at Perrysville, Indiana,

m. J. Tabor Mathers in Danville, Ill. d.

4-25-1876, Jacksonville, Illinois

John Tincher b. 11-20-1857--Danville, Ill. d.Idaho.

Joseph/ Gibson b. 3-9-1864 d. 3-23-1864--same mo. as mother.

Edward b. 2-15-1861---Danville, Illinois

Married : 2. Maria Louisa Partlow, daughter of George W. Cassidy b. 12-1-1803 d. 12-23-1863 and Delilah Cassidy b. 7-6-1806 d. 7-8-1843 . Married 4-12-1865

Joliet, Illinois

b. 11-10-1828

m. John M. Partlow d. 9-9-1854

d. 9-16-1886

Children by Partlow:

Sam Partlow

George "

Ella "

John "

Children by Joseph Gibson English

Joseph Crows English b. 10-28-1866 Danville, Ill.
d. 193- Kansas City, Mo.

Otis Hardy English b. 5-31-1870
d. 3-5-1874 Danville, Ill.

DESCENDANTS OF THOMAS W. & DELILA PAYNE DOUGLAS

1. John Milton Douglas married Mahala Burroughs

A. Winfield Scott married Elizabeth Clark whose father was Silas Clark--born December 27, 1822, died January 11, 1894.

a. Thomas W. married Nettie Church

Children: Leslie, Ivan, Stanley Fern , Cecil

b. Dora married Walter Morris-second marriage to George Gibson

Lela-married H. (Lee) Songer

Children: Jack and Robert

c. Chloe married Gilbert Matthews

Children: Carlos, Harold, Donald

d. Ethel married Henry Jones

Child: Keith

e. Herman E. 1. married Catherine Taylor

Child: John-married Jane Tharp

2. married Josephine Taylor

f. Carroll (deceased)

B. Judith Ann married Joseph Trisler

a. Belle, married George Mitchell

b. Ella , married Charles Jamison

c. Sarah Matolda married John Wilcox

C. Mahala married J. Charles Byerly (no children)

D. Armilda married Richard O'Connell

Children: Ernest married Alma Hodges

John married Ruby Todd

Catherine married Mont Carrigan

E. Clarissa married James Clipson

Children: John H. married Pearle McMoor

Matilda married William Bentley
second Willet Ashby

Zella

Roy

Myrtle married Oliver Cord

2. Hester M. married William A. Church

A. William J. married Clara Boggess

B. Sarah married Jarett Acree

C. Laura married Lon Busby

D. Thomas W. married Hannah Shelton

E. Charles S. married Ella Wright

3. William H.

4. Harrison

5. Hannah married Mr. Senger

6. Erastus

7. Stewart

8. Ithmer

9. Emily married Mr. Campbell

10. Harriett Angeline married James T. Keeney

11. Clarissa married Cushon Douglas

A. Florence married Theodore Terpening
B. Abbie A. married John Trisler
C. Hortense married Ed Ruby
Children: Bertie married Charles Champion

Winfield Douglas' wife was Elizabeth Clark, daughter of Silas Clark who was born December 27, 1822 and died January 11, 1894 . Silas Clark also had a son Osborne Clark , born May 18, 1861 and died December 20, 1919. Osborne had two sons, Roy , born November 14, 1884 and Ernie , born January 22, 1888 , died September 9, 1901.

John Milton Douglas

Married Mahala Burroughs--date---

A. Winfield Scott Douglas--b. Dec. 2, 1847. d. 1-13-1908

married Elizabeth Clark b. 11-26-1848, d. 7-21-1913

a. Thomas W. Douglas , b. 10-22-1869, d. 2-28-1952.

m. Nettie Church b. 6-9-1870 d. 3-29-1913.

b. Dorothea Douglas , b. 7-31-1872 , d. 7-22-1920.

m. Walter B. Morris , b. 12-1-1868 , d. 3-14-1909

c. Chloe E. Douglas b. 5-9-1874 , d. 9-29-1935.

m. Gilbert Matthews b. 9-8-1876

d. Ethel Mae Douglas , b. 5-9-1881 d-----

m. Henry Jones

e. Herman Earl Douglas b. 1-11-1886

m. Catherine Mary Taylor b. 7-4-1888 d. 8-16-1955

m. Josephine I. Taylor b. 3-5-1905 m. 9-7-1957.

f. Carroll Douglas b. 2-13-1888 d. 4-16-1907

DESCENDANTS OF THOMAS W. DOUGLAS & NETTIE CHURCH DOUGLAS

A. Thomas W. Douglas.....(9 children)

b. 10-22-1869

d. 2-28-1952

m. Nettie Church — b. 6-9-1870 — d. 3-28-1913

m. Nellie Kruegal — b. 6-15-1872 — d. 3-31-1944 — no children

1. Geneva Emily Douglas

b. 9-12-1891-d. 10-29-1935. m. October 1911 to Charles Ambrose Rice b. 9-8-1893 d. 9-7-1952

1. Charles Kenneth Rice b. 3-21-1913

m. Violet Cline-b. 10-19-1918 on May 3, 1936.

Carolyn Jane Rice b. 1-6-1940

Mary Ellen Rice b. 7-11-1944

2. Gerald Ocan Rice b. 4-20-1915

m. 6-20-1937 to Lillian Robor b. 8-20-1916

Janet Sue Rice b. 4-19-1941

Carla Joanne Rice b. 1-29-1947

2. Virgil Carroll Douglas b. 12-5-1895 d. 4-5-1896

3. Leslie Adolphus Douglas

b. 3-20-1897 . m. 3-20-1915 to Verna Rachel Bratton b. 6-7-1896

4. Cecil W. Douglas b. 3-11-1899 d. 12-15-1901

5. Mary Fern Douglas

b. 12-23-1901 . m. 11-29-1922 to Herschell Wharry b. 8-13-1901

A. James Douglas-legally adopted son--

b. 3-5-1932 . m. 8-31-1952 to Carolyn McCray b. 2-17-1933

a. Ronald Eugene Wharry b. 11-10-1953

b. Kathy Sue b. 10-24-1955

c. Debbie Jean b. 7-4-1958

6. Ivan Earl Douglas

b. 8-29-1906 . m. 11-11-1927 to Pauline Garver, b. 6-27-1907 and d. 7-13-1946. On 9-15-1948, he married Beulah Marie Hicks b. 9-28-1907

A. Donald Eugene Douglas b. 3-29-1929. m. 6-2-1950 to Betty Jane White b. 11-29-1933 .

a. Steven Eugene b. 10-19-1951

B. Shirley Louise Douglas b. 8-17-1939 m. 9-15-1951 to Dr. John Veirs b. 5-1-1928

a. Daniel Lewis Veirs b. 5-20-1953

b. Thomas John b. 2-7-1956

c. Christine b. 2-3-1957

7. Herman Owen and Everett Otis Douglas, twins, b. 8-4-1910 d. 8-3-4-1910

8. Stanley Thomas Douglas , b. 8-3-1911. m. Aug. 1938. to Norma Phillips--divorced. Remarried 6-14-1955 to Erma Julia Bell b. 11-5-1906

A. Carma Joan Douglas-b. 3-7-1939
B. Philip Stanford Douglas b. 7-4-1941

DESCENDANTS OF DORA DOUGLAS MORRIS AND WALTER B. MORRIS

B. Dora Douglas b. 7-31-1872 d. 7-22-1920 . m. 2-22-1893 to Walter B. Morris b. 12-1-1868 d. 3-14-1909

1. Lela Agnes Morris b. 5-19-1898, m. 1-6-1920 to H. Lee Songer b. 10-18-1896

A. Jack Douglas Songer b. 10-23-1921 m. 4-28-1943 to Henrietta Barkman-b. 2-1-1922

a. Sandra Sue Songer b. 10-18-1944

b. Stephen Jay Songer b. 11-9-1946

c. Deborah Lee Songer b. 9-17-1950

B . Robert Lee Songer b. 4-22-1923 m. 10-7-1944 to Joanne Lorraine Jamison b. 3-16-1922

a. Maryann Songer b. 8-28-1945

b. Janet Lynn Songer b. 5-26- 1947

c. Bobbee Lee Songer b. 10-18-1951

DESCENDANTS OF CHLOE E. DOUGLAS MATTHEWS AND GILBERT MATTHEWS

C. Chloe Ellen Douglas b. 5-9-1874 d. 9-29-1935. m. 3-22-1899 to Gilbert Matthews b. 9-8-1876

1. Carlos Matthews b. 3-23-1900 m. 8-2-1919 to Anne Elizabeth Brackney b. 3-24-1901

A. Carroll Lavaun Matthews b. 6-5-1920 d. 2-23-1938

B. Jack L. Matthews b. 5-10-1926 m. 8-20-1949

m. 8-20-1949 to Elizabeth Rose Seeholzer

b. 11-4-1925

a. Mark Douglas Matthews b. 10-16-1950

b. Craig Christopher Matthews b. 12-25-1954

2. Russell Glen Matthews b. 9-?- 1903 d. 1903

3. Harold Matthews b. 5-20-1905 m. 8-13-1927 to Evelyn Lenhart b. 5-4-1905

4. Donald T. Matthews b. 5-26-1911 m. 10-19-1929 to Thelma Hatcher b. April 1 ? Divorced and m 2-8-1946 to Wilda Van Horn b. 3-29-1909

   a. Shirley Mae Matthews b. 1-10-1935 m. 12-16-1951 to Paul Dalton Krause

      1. Michael Paul b. 8-6-1954

      2. Cynthia Kay Krause b. 11-28-1955

   b. Geraldine Ann Matthews b. 3-14-1938

   c. Sue Ellen Matthews b. 11-5-1940

DESCENDANTS OF ETHEL DOUGLAS JONES AND HENRY JONES

D. Ethel Douglas b. 5-9-1881 m. 1-17-1906 to Henry Jones b. 12-8-1882 d. 1-27-1949.

   1. Oren Keith Jones b. 3-28-1911. m. 6-4-1933 to Gertrude Van Treuren

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E. Herman Earl Douglas b. 1-11-1886. m. 6-7-1911 to Catherine Mary Taylor b. 7-4-1888 d. 8-16-1955

   1. John Allen Douglas b. 1-26-1917. m. 4-19-1941 to Jane Elizabeth Tharp b. 10-25-1916

      a. Jane Tharp Douglas b. 6-23-1945

      b. Mary Watts Douglas b. 12-18-1946

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